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Three Kings On Cuba Christmas Issue

Cuba which since 1951 has managed a set of two stamps with a Christmas motif, will also have a pair for the 1956 holiday season. The design will have a religious motif, "The Three Kings".



Previous releases have shown Santa Claus, poinsettias and a Christmas tree.

According to Dr. Ernesto Bell of Havana, Cuba, the denominations are to be 2c and 4c.

The first day of issue is to be December 15.

Collectors Can Get Slogan Impressions

Several slogan cancellations are available to collectors. These can be obtained on the addressed postal cards, or stamped, addressed envelopes which are to be sent to the postmasters of the respective cities along with a request for an impression of the slogan.

According to the Post Office Department these communities are cooperating:-

Bristol, Pa. started using its die October 14 and will continue with it until December 31. It notes the 275th anniversary of founding.

Colorado Springs, Colo. publishes the sesquicentennial of the discovery of Pikes Peak until December 31.

Oklahoma City, Okla. will have an exposition and the slogan will be used from January 1 through July 7.

For the Lake Forest College Centennial Lake Forest, Ill. will use its slogan from January 2 through June 26.

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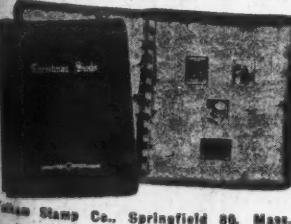
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FOR THE 1956 OLYMPIC GAMES. On September 25 Hungary released a set of eight commemoratives to publicize its participation in the Olympic Games at Melbourne, Australia later this year. All have a sports motif and are - 20 filler, sculling; 30ft steeplechase racing; 40ft fencing; 60ft hurdle racing; 1 Forint soccer; 1.50 Ft weight-lifting; 2Ft gymnastics; 3Ft basketball.

Pro Juventute Semipostals December 1; Stamp Booklet FDC's, Mints, Folder Offered

Insects will again appear on four of the five semipostals Switzerland will release December 1 in the annual series for the Pro Juventute Foundation. The fifth, the low denomination, will picture the famous Ticino architect Carlo Maderno (1556-1629) from Capolago on the Lake of Lugano. The philatelic agency will make it possible for collectors to obtain mint or used copies of the set, first day covers with cachet and special cancellation, stamp booklets containing the three low values and a folder in which the stamps are mounted either mint or with the first day cancel.

The Pro Juventute Foundation will receive 90% of the funds raised by the surtax. Six percent is intended for the improvement of the school dental service in the mountain regions, and four percent for hygiene instruction in schools and training colleges.

These stamps can be used on all inland and foreign mail until June 30, 1957 after which time they become invalidated for further postal use.

Sale will be in all Swiss post offices from December 1 to January 31, and at the philatelic agency until February 15.

Besides the bust portrait of Carlo Maderno on the 5c plus 5c brown carmine there also is to be seen the Church of Sant'Andrea della

Vale in Rome, Italy. This is the only one of the quintet to be printed from engraved plates and it will be a product of the Postage Stamp Printing Office of the PTT in Berne.

Karl Bickel of Wahlenstadtberg

designed and engraved it based on

a painting from the Museo Civico

in Lugano.

The remaining four stamps are from designs by Niklaus Stoecklin of Riehen. Printing is by photogravure at Courvoisier SA of La

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Mr. Fellers has supplied Mr. Keller with a complete list of the postal classics which have been chosen for exhibition at the A.S.D.A.'s eighth annual National Postage Stamp Show on November 16 to 18 in the 71st Infantry Regiment Armory at Park Ave. and 34th St., New York City.

The P.O.D. display includes full sheets and blocks of four; mint and used; regular adhesives, commemoratives, airmails (not forgetting the Graf Zeppelins); high denominations and low; "Duck" stamps and parcel posts; errors, imperfs, roulettes, color varieties and blue papers — and one feature distinctly without precedent: an assemblage of all known U.S. die proofs which have ever been officially autographed by a Postmaster General while in office.

All this material has a philatelic worth of over one million dollars — so no wonder that the A.S.D.A. will keep the Armory under heavy guard. Here is the list of items for showing—

Frame 1 — 5c imperforate of 1909, Scott's No. 347; 2c Lincoln perforate and imperforate issues and the 2c Lincoln blue paper, Scott's Nos. 367-68-69.

Frame 2 — Blue paper issues of 1909, 1c, 2c, 3c, and 4c. Scott's Nos. 357-360.

Frame 3 — Blue paper issues of 1909, 5c, 6c, and 8c values. Scott's Nos. 361-363.

Frame 4 — Blue paper issues of 1909, 10c, 13c, and 15c values. Scott's Nos. 364-366.

Frame 5 — 1908-09 imperforates, 1c through 4c. Scott's Nos. 343-346.

Frame 6 — Alaska Yukon, both perforate and imperforate, as well as the Hudson Fulton, perforate and imperforate. Scott's Nos. 370-373.

Frame 7 — Panama Pacific issue of 1912-13, perforated 12, 1c through 10c. Scott's Nos. 397-400.

Frame 8 — 1c 3/19/12 perforate with a tracing wheel (Kansas City Roulette); 2c perforate 11 of 1915; and 1c and 2c coil stamp sheets, 9/5/14.

Frame 9 — 1912-19 issues, \$1.00; \$2.00 orange and black; \$5.00 green and black, in complete sheets; and a block of 25 of the \$2.00 carmine and black, all with portrait of Franklin.

Frame 10 — 5c Error, 3/23/17, perforate 11. Scott's No. 499; 1c flat plate, 3/23/17, Scott's No. 498; and the 3c offset, Scott's No. 529.

Frame 11 — Blocks of 4 of the overprinted "Shanghai China" stamps of 1917-19. Scott's Nos. K1-K16 complete; and the 3c Victory of 1919. Scott's No. 537.

Frame 12 — Sheet of 400, 2c 1922-26 imperforate.

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Denominations, colors and designs of the four regulars are — 4¢ brown and olive green, a Kangaroo and an Emu; 6¢ green and black, Rodin's "Discobolus"; 8¢ brown and blue, Goddess of Victory; 10¢ red and black, Chariot Race; airmails are — 12¢ purple and green, the Stadium at Melbourne; 20¢ orange, blue and black, Olympic Torch and the Map of Australia.

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Prosperity Unlimited

That also means Philatelic Prosperity, for without general prosperity we can not have Philatelic Prosperity, altho I believe I can say without fear of contradiction that even in times when things are not so good, stamp dealing suffers less than most other means of making a living. I know for a fact that back in the days of 1929 and 1930 that our publication did not suffer from the slump to any great extent. Our subscription list grew in that period and by 1932 we had reached what was then the largest circulation of any other stamp collectors publication in the United States.

I am going to say some things here that will cause some hot heads to write in and tell me to keep politics out of this column. Let me say now, (October 20, 1956) that what I am about to write is not politics, for nothing I may say now can influence or attempt to influence any one in the election which was held on November 6, several days before this copy of our paper will reach any of our readers. I am going to go out on a limb and express my opinion and belief. If I am wrong, I can only admit that I have been wrong in other things and I can get over it without any help.

even before that we have had extraordinarily prosperous times. It would appear at this date perhaps this year will turn out to be the most prosperous in the history of our country. We who choose to be fair about giving credit for this situation can only believe that it has been due to the work, effort and policy of our president. I was born and raised a Democrat. I have however always believed that anyone who voted either ticket simply because they were a Democrat or a Republican, lacked good common sense. We are not electing men to office because they may be Democrat or because they may be Republicans. It is our duty and our privilege to vote for the man whom we believe will be the best man to act as our leader. It was for this reason that Mr. Eisenhower was elected in 1952 and it will be for this same reason that Mr. Eisenhower will be elected in 1956. We believe that most Americans have enough common sense to believe this and that they will have voted that way.

Campaign issues are very frequently based on almost anything besides the real issues at stake. Eisenhower perhaps pulled a tremendous vote from women on account of the fact that they bear sons and they hoped that with his great experience and wisdom that he could bring those sons back from Korea, which he did.

Today, the Democrat candidates are trying to work on the same women and on men too, by suggesting that we discontinue testing Hydrogen bombs and cut out the Draft. Some unthinking women and some men will fall for such propaganda but those who are able to think things out in a logical way will realize that if we drop Hydrogen bombs from our schedule that Russia will soon be far out in front of us in that field and that our future may become endangered. Anyone who would trust any Russian leader, even if he swore on a stack of bibles a mile high would be inviting disaster, for none of them are fit to be trusted as one gentlemen to another.

If we cut out the draft, our army would begin to dwindle at once for it is the draft that keeps the volunteers coming. A great many of our young men look upon being drafted as a stigma of a certain sort, thus when their number is about up they volunteer. Take away the draft and you automatically take away most of the volunteers, and our army can not be maintained without steady numbers of new men coming into it.

The farmer is also coming in for a lot of attention, but why the farmer any more than the average city man. There are a lot of farmers who are doing very well today, just as there are a lot of city men who are doing well. There are also a lot of farmers as well as a lot of city men who are not as prosperous as many others. There are reasons for all of this and anyone who can think, can figure out a number of those reasons.

Here in Florida, we have many prosperous farmers. They grow oranges and other citrus fruits. This is in effect farming, just as much as is growing wheat, corn or other crops. We have farmers here who belong to our country clubs. They take off a couple afternoons each week to come over here to Howey and play golf. They bring their wives with them; they stay for dinner in the evening; and then they may hang around until near midnight, having a good time with their friends. Certainly these farmers are not having a tough time of it. We also have some farmers who have small groves or small plots of land. They are not so prosperous, yet we believe most of them are getting along as well as the average city laborer or clerk.

There is one thing wrong with all of the complaining we hear and that is that too often, the young people when they first marry and try to start making a home, think that they should have everything that their parents have. They fail to realize that in many instances the parents started out no better off than they are, that it took them 30, 40 or even 50 years to achieve success.

A splendid example of this is right here in Howey. It can perhaps be duplicated in many other towns throughout America.

We have here a family, the father, mother, two girls and three boys. Just a few years ago this family was in a displaced persons' camp in Yugoslavia. They made an arrangement whereby a big fruit grower here would get them sent to America and they were practically in bondage to this man for a few years.

They all worked. Worked at anything they could find to do. Their language was a great handicap. They cut grass, tended yards, did anything to earn a dollar. Recently they acquired citizenship papers. They threw a big party at their home, thankful for what they had received. They had built themselves a small home, acquired a small piece of ground. Just recently, one of the boys was married. This called for another big party and practically everyone in this town attended. Some were millionaires, others of the laboring class, but they went as a tribute to these people who came to America and made a home for which they are so thankful. It takes hard work to get to the top anywhere, but here you have opportunity if you will try rather than squander your earnings. It can not be done in a few years, but takes many years of continuous effort.

I believe our country is on the verge of Unlimited Prosperity. But it is up to each individual to do his part if he wishes to take advantage of the opportunities that are here.

Now how does this concern stamps. Well stamp collectors are just like anyone else, except as a group they perhaps rate a bit higher IQ. That is one advantage you have over those who do not collect stamps. It takes a good bit of appreciation of certain things to make a good stamp collector. Many who are collectors are anxious to learn

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SMILEATELICS . . . Bob Rieker



"You bet we attended to some serious business at the stamp dealers' convention. Why are you staring at me, dear?"

Unit For Plant, Animal Topicals

Sidney R. Esten

A few years ago, the most popular topical subject was birds on stamps. Today, with issuance of so many beautiful multicolored stamps showing insects and flowers, bird stamp collectors have been easily overtaken in popularity.

The Biology Unit of the American Topical Assn. studies and features the various types and species of plant and animals found on stamps. This unit covers a wide field, due to the fact that so many different species of plants and animals are continuously being illustrated on stamps coming out at this time.

When you consider that there are possibly over a million kinds of insects and several hundred thousand kinds of plants and animals, the field becomes unlimited. Many, many postal issues prove this. A good example is a stamp recently issued by Japan. It shows algae, a species of one-cell plant form.

Of the great groups of living birds of the world, all but two have been shown on stamps. And of the four great groups of plants, three have been illustrated on stamps so far.

When you consider all the stamps picturing trees and plants, the number with biology subjects would range between 20-30,000 different. Approximately 8000 stamps show birds, including close to 400 different species. One stamp alone shows over 80 birds of the same species, and several stamps illustrate numerous kinds of birds on the same adhesive. One stamp shows a bird house. Another illustrates a cockroach and a rose. Three stamps show the domesticated cat.

The object of the Biology Unit of American Topical Assn. is to release, through its publication, check lists and information about the different forms of life shown on stamps. Six times a year the unit issues "Biology Tid-Bits," which keeps members in touch with each other and gives information about plant and animal stamps.

Members of the Biology Unit invite interested persons to join the American Topical Assn. and then become a member of the Biology Unit if they are interested in plants and animals on stamps.

For more information write to Sidney R. Esten, 4340 N. Illinois St., Indianapolis 8, Ind.

Teen-Agers Given Philatelic Evening

An annual meeting to which the members of the Great Bay Stamp Club of Exeter, N.H. looked forward to is that with the boys in school at Phillips Exeter Academy who collect stamps. This year's is scheduled for November 13.

One of the features of the session is the preparation of lots for auction for which the teen-agers can bid. Members of the adult club keep a watchful eye on the bidding so that youthful enthusiasm does not exceed a reasonable figure for a purchase.

Adult groups from Concord, Manchester, Nashua and Haverhill also have a fairly good representation of members at this affair.

1935 FARLEYS—MINT V. F.

#		Single Blk.	Pl. Blk.
752	3c Newburgh	.05	.20
753	3c Byrd	.24	.90
754	3c Mothers	.13	.50
755	3c Wisconsin	.13	.50
756-765	75c Parks (10)	1.75	6.95
766-770	Souv. (5)	1.10	4.35
771	18c Air-Spec.	.80	3.20
772-771	Complete (20)	3.75	14.95

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1956 STAMP PROGRAM

November 16—4c and 8c International Postal Cards, New York, N.Y.

3c Childrens Friendship. Time and place not announced.

ALREADY ISSUED

1032—Mount Vernon 1/2c, Mt. Vernon, Va., February 22.

1038—Woodrow Wilson 7c, Staunton, Va., January 10.

1040—Alamo 9c, San Antonio, Texas, June 14.

1041—Independence Hall 10c, Philadelphia, Pa., July 4.

1042—Monticello 20c, Charlottesvile, Va., April 13.

1047—Hamilton \$5, Paterson, N.J., March 19.

1073—Ben Franklin 3c, Philadelphia, Pa., January 17.

1074—Booker T. Washington 3c, Booker Washington Birthplace, Va., April 5.

1075—FIPEX 11c Souvenir Sheet, April 28, New York, N.Y.

1076—FIPEX 3c, New York, N.Y., April 30.

1077—Wild Turkey 3c, Fond du Lac, Wis., May 5.

1078—Antelope 3c, Gunnison, Colo., June 22.

1080—Pure Food Law 3c, Washington, D.C., June 27.

1081—3c Wheatland, Lancaster, Pa., August 5.

1082—3c Labor Day, Camden, N.J., September 3.

1083—3c Nassau Hall, Princeton, N.J., September 22.

1084—3c Devils Tower, Devils Tower, Wyo., September 24.

1085—3c Salmon, Seattle, Wash., November 9.

UC-24—FIPEX 6c airmail envelope, New York, N.Y., May 2.

UX44—FIPEX 2c postal card, New York, N.Y., May 4.

UNITED NATIONS

December 10—Human Rights Day, 3c and 8c.

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1926-34 ISSUES (11 x 10%) (+25%)
 Scott No. Plate Block Bk. used Used

632 1c	.33	.19	.04	.02
633 1½c	2.15	.30	.07	.02
634 2c	.24	.17	.04	.01
635 3c	.29	.21	.05	.02
636 4c	3.65	.46	.11	.02
637 5c	1.05	.78	.19	.01
638 6c	.98	.78	.15	.01
639 7c	.83	.62	.15	.02
640 8c	.52	.36	.17	.02
641 9c	.52	.38	.19	.03
642 10c	1.45	1.15	.29	.01
653 ½c	.19	.07	.02	.02
684 1½c	.27	.15	.04	.02
685 4c	.88	.39	.09	.02
692 11c	1.65	1.30	.32	.03
693 12c	2.95	1.95	.48	.02
694 13c	1.30	.98	.23	.03
695 14c	1.22	1.05	.26	.06
696 15c	4.35	3.35	.83	.02
697 17c	2.20	1.58	.35	.04
698 20c	4.45	3.59	.98	.03
699 25c	3.70	2.55	.62	.03
700 30c	4.90	3.25	.82	.03
701 50c	6.90	4.75	1.15	.03
720 3c	.36	.23	.05	.01

1938 PRESIDENTIAL (+10%)

803 ½c	.14	.04	.02	.01
804 1c	.08	.06	.02	.01
805 1½c	.13	.09	.03	.01
806 2c	.14	.11	.03	.01
807 3c	.17	.15	.04	.02
808 4c	.37	.19	.06	.02
809 4½c	.78	.22	.06	.03
810 5c	.30	.25	.07	.01
811 6c	.35	.28	.08	.01
812 7c	.44	.35	.09	.01
813 8c	.47	.39	.10	.01
814 9c	.48	.42	.11	.01
815 10c	.50	.46	.12	.01
816 11c	.88	.54	.13	.03
817 12c	.84	.58	.15	.03
818 13c	.88	.63	.16	.03
819 14c	.98	.63	.17	.03
820 15c	1.50	.78	.20	.03
821 16c	1.60	.78	.20	.03
822 17c	1.60	.78	.20	.03
823 18c	1.70	.88	.22	.03
824 19c	1.90	.88	.23	.03
825 20c	2.05	.98	.25	.03
826 21c	2.50	1.00	.27	.10
827 22c	2.20	1.35	.35	.05
828 24c	2.20	1.35	.35	.05
829 25c	1.30	1.15	.30	.02
830 30c	1.75	1.40	.35	.02
831 50c	2.95	2.55	.62	.02
832 \$1.00	6.45	4.95	1.20	.03
833 \$2.00	11.90	9.90	.76	.03
834 \$5.00	22.90	5.70	.38	.03

COIL STAMPS

Scott No.	SINGLE	Scott No.	SINGLE
Unused	Used	Unused	Used
44	.38	410	.09
411	.22	12	.12
348	.10	349	.10
349	.10	450	.30
412	.48	413	.37
413	.65	351	.80
352	.20	353	.20
441	.04	442	.12
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A lot of people feel they have been wronged by the United Nations Postal Administration in regard to the United Nations Day set of stamps issued October 24. It seems that as the morning wore on for the lines waiting to purchase copies of the new 3c and 8c commemoratives that the powers-that-be decreed that no more than a half pane would be sold to any person. However, that was after quite a few dealers and collectors had depleted stocks considerably with the purchase of up to 1000 sheets with many buys up to 100.

The official bulletin from the UNPA stated that there was to be a printing of 2 million of the 3c and 1½ of the 8c. Now that should have been adequate as far back as six months ago, but since then there has been a tremendous surge of interest and money going toward UN issues of all kinds.



CARL P. RUETH

You will remember that a column or so ago I mentioned that the three hottest entities today as far as their postal issues are concerned are the UN, Vatican City and Israel.

Now there is little doubt 50% of the stamps purchased of the UN Day set were strictly for the investment portfolio. People who ordinarily put away a couple of blocks went in and bought one or more sheets. That kind of buying would wreck any stock of stamps and in this instance the UNPA can hardly be held at fault.

However, they will be at fault if they do not get another million of each value printed to honor all orders they have on hand and which they have gotten since. Getting caught short with the original quantity can be overlooked, but if the UN does not take care of all requests then it is guilty of a very serious breach of faith.

The UN has pulled some terrific boners in its relations with collectors, and it is to be hoped that this most recent instance will not develop into a fiasco.

Recognition of the inadequacy of current commemorative stamp orders is the UNPA announcement that the Human Right Day issue coming December 10 will have a printing of 5 million for the 3c and 4 for the 8c.

If the speculators clean those out

then there is only one thing to do — boost the quantity until there are enough stamps available to break up the crazy buying of UN issues.

1. A souvenir sheet was issued for the National Stamp Exhibition of 1934 in New York City. What stamp was used for the sheet?
2. How many persons are in the design of the White Plains commemorative of 1926?

Speaking of shortages, I get it via a reliable source that stocks of the FIPEX postal card and airmail envelope are getting close to the bottom of the barrel. If you haven't gotten your share better get an order in to the Philatelic Agency, Post Office Department, Washington 25, D.C.

The cards are 2c each and envelopes 7c, unless you buy the latter in some quantity when there is some slight reduction from 7c.

In recent weeks I have been covering some of the sore spots for collectors and dealers. The intention has been to expose some of the sharp practices which if pursued by a dealer, the collector should spend his money elsewhere. And on the dealer side, how much one is entitled to impose on the merchants and the rights to which they are entitled.

In the latter category is a complaint received this past week, and I believe it is something which should be commented upon.

The letter-writer was most vexed because he had sent 100 stamps to a Linn's advertiser who in his ads offers to exchange stamps under certain conditions. The advertiser had sent the stamps back and declined to do business.

That made the collector real mad because he felt that if a person advertised to exchange he should be forced to do so, regardless. Well, that point we have covered previously — you can't force a person to do business. His ads are but an offer to do business, and he can either accept or reject approaches to do so.

In this instance the collector had sent 100 stamps for which he wanted something in exchange. They were the extremely plentiful 5c, 6c, 9c, 10c and 15c of the Presidential Series in varying quantities, with many of the stamps of poor quality.

Anyone minded to buy these denominations used can get them for around 20c to 25c per 1000. So a hundred of that kind, even in fine condition wouldn't be worth much more than 3c.

No dealer, or collector for that matter, worthy of the name, can afford to piddle around with 3c worth of anything. There is the time, stationery and postage which add up to a great deal more than three pennies.

The common denominations are junk — everyone has them — and outside of packet-makers there is little market for them. If you have nothing better to do than soak and sort such stuff, alright. But just remember, it has practically no worth, and very few people want any part of it.

A day or two after you get this in your mail box, Mrs. Rueth and I will be winging our way to New York City for the big ASDA Show in the 71st Infantry Regiment Armory. Once again, Mr. and Mrs. Linn will be there, all of us at Booth

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This year again we will have a souvenir for those who take a subscription at our booth. The same will be available to those who send a new subscription to our office and request it.

It is in the same format as the FIPEX folder. It will provide space for two copies of each card to have a release on November 16 there. You will want to put a copy of each, cancelled, on the first day of issue in two of the boxes, and in the other two you can place a mint copy of each, or hand-cancelled copies, or cards postmarked at the New York GPO on the release date.

You probably know that the first day cancel at the Armory will have wording in the killer bars that it was applied at the ASDA National Postage Stamp Show. The one given at the GPO will have FIRST DAY OF ISSUE only.

While nothing was said in the Post Office Department news bulletin of the possibility of getting cancels from both stations, I believe it is possible. Tell the Postmaster, New York 1, N.Y. that you want cards postmarked at the ASDA Show, and others at the GPO. Don't forget the payment at face — 4c for the single card and 8c for the double.

In this big edition of Linn's I'd like to call your attention to the picture of the floor plan layout of the Armory. Also to the news article which tells which dealer or publisher will occupy which booth. You can make a bee-line to these places if you especially have business with any of them. Then you can roam as you wish.

You will also see the Lecture Hall Program. Check through it for the times of the programs you'd like to attend. There are many fine ones prepared for your pleasure and education.

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An exterior view of the Swedish Postmuseum. This ancient building has the most modern of appointments and facilities inside.

Sweden's Postal Museum

Ernest A. Kehr

Illustrations through the courtesy of the Swedish Postmuseum.

Only a short stone's throw behind the Royal Palace, on the corner of a narrow avenue that threads its way through "La Cite," the oldest of Stockholm's island settlements, you'll find the Swedish Postmuseum. A sign in the lobby tells you that it was opened on December 15, 1906—just half a century ago. Its cornerstone suggests that the building, which was until only about twenty years ago still used as a regular post office, dates back to 1825.

Actually this important edifice is much older.

During a recent reconstruction of its interior to better display some of its treasures, it was necessary to pull away portions of the wall and ceiling.

Under the hundred-plus year old plaster and facings, workmen came upon a type of construction and decorative painting that had been generally employed only during the pre-seventeenth century era.

The revelation was not too surprising. The building is surrounded by structures known to have been in existence during the 15th and 16th centuries. Moreover, contemporary records reveal that it was not at all unusual for a landlord to take, during the early part of the last century, an old building, use as much of it as was possible and then do a bit of refurbishing. He then might claim it to be a "new" building by listing its erection, the date on which it was renovated, and thereby avail himself of a lower tax rate. This common practice, postal officials are convinced, accounts for the 1825 cornerstone.

But philatelic interest is not so much concerned with the history of the structure itself.

More important are the treasures which are to be found inside, once one enters between the four classic columns that distinguish No. 6 Lilla Nygatan from its old neighbors.

When officials decided to establish a Postmuseum in one section of this building, which then was a busy post office, it was planned only to make it a repository for

arch came for a formal, twenty-minute inspection visit. When he saw the wealth of documents giving routes, rates and routines of Sweden's earliest postal service, he so meticulously examined each one, and asked so many pertinent questions, that after more than two hours he still was in the first gallery.

As a keen amateur historian, Sweden's popular king has been back several times since, arriving without advance notice, and poring through the museum's contents with an ardor that is remarkable.

The museum is methodically arranged with a view of first acquainting the visitor with the backgrounds of postal service, then leading him to stamp collecting's fascination and philately's more scientific aspects.

The first floor is devoted solely to such displays as will appeal to Everyman, whether he is a collector or not. Indeed, the museum has been so planned that any person can appreciate its displays and become acquainted with and enthralled by Sweden's postal service development through the years.

Its whole plan, scheme and decor are the brainchild of Paul Heuergren, director of the museum until his retirement a short time ago, and of the eminent sculptor, Erik Elenius.

A plaster bas-relief, representing Noah's Ark and the messen-

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28	10.79	.912	3.98	186	.41
29	9.45	.913	1.08	187	.81
30	12.69	.914	.24	188	.68
30a	7.69	.915	2.78	189	.85
33	4.09	.916	3.14	190	.121
35	2.43	.917	3.19	191	.922
36	4.23	.918	15.74	205	.24
37	11.70	.919	4.86	208	.179
38	16.65	.920	15.79	208a	.414
63	1.03	.921	9.79	209	.12
68	.94	.924	1.89	211	.31
69	2.61	.925	1.30	214	.139
70	4.28	.926	.25	215	.34
71	2.93	.927	.27	216	.14
72	9.89	.928	.13	217	.364
73	1.12	.929	.68	218	.743
75	6.21	.930	2.79	221	.27
76	2.14	.931	.86	224	.94
77	3.33	.932	1.94	225	.38
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1003	4c Columbian	1.92	513 13c Apple Green	.67
1004	5c Columbian	2.09	514 15c Gray	2.06
1005	6c Columbian	2.32	515 20c Ultramarine	1.29
1006	8c Columbian	1.68	516 30c Orange	1.34
1007	10c Columbian	3.69	517 50c Violet	1.32
1008	15c Columbian	5.39	523 \$2 Or & Black	39.45
1009	20c Columbian	6.29	524 5c Green & Black	11.34
1010	30c Columbian	11.98	531 1c Imperf.	1.35
1011	41c Columbian	29.49	532 2c Imperf.	1.26
1012	53c Columbian	31.95	533 3c Imperf.	1.29
1013	43c Columbian	49.95	536 1c Perf. 12½	1.12
1014	55c Columbian	64.49	537 3c Victory	.77
1015	4c Rose Brown	.99	547 \$2 Carm. & Black	10.69
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1017	16c Trans-Miss.	.89	549 2c Pilgrim	.49
1018	20c Trans-Miss.	.55	550 5c Pilgrim	3.06
1019	36c Trans-Miss.	3.69	555 3c Violet	1.27
1020	5c Trans-Miss.	3.49	556 4c Brown	.49
1021	8c Trans-Miss.	4.69	557 5c Blue	.59
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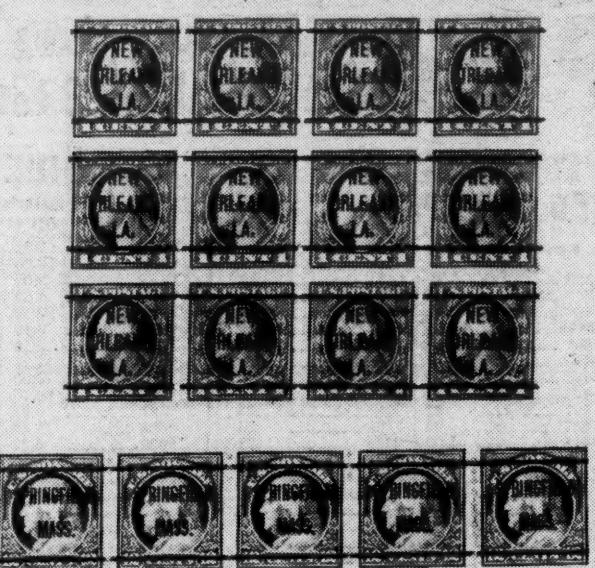
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A block of 12 of the early precancels prepared by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing for New Orleans. An unusual piece since in the early days of the specialty single stamps in the collection seemed to be the rule. Below is a strip of five of the Springfield, Mass., experimental. This is a most unique piece.

Unique Precancel Pieces

Two of the largest known multiple pieces of the Experimental Bureau Issue Precancels have just been acquired by Richard J. Coda Sr., publisher of the Gunesch-Coda Standard Catalog of Bureau Issue Precancels.

Very little publicity was given to the experimental precancelling by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing in the fall of 1916. It was not until about five years later when collectors began turning up with unlisted precancels from Augusta, Me., New Orleans, La., and Springfield, Mass., that a thorough search was made. It led to the records of the Bureau in Washington and authentic information was then obtained as to the number of stamps precancelled for each city.

When these experimentals were issued, precancel collecting was in its infancy and the collecting of blocks, etc., was not popular and undoubtedly many large pieces were broken into single stamps, hence the scarcity of multiple pieces.

While 3,600,000 1c stamps were precancelled for New Orleans, multiple pieces, even in pairs are extremely difficult to get today. 20,000 12c stamps were precancelled for Springfield, so that multiple pieces from that city are still scarcer. These items are the 'blue-chips' of Bureau Precancels.

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How Do The Colonial Stamps Reach You?

This column is written at the height of the holiday season, with people thinking more about the seaside than about their stamp collections. Consequently, there is little new to report on the British philatelic front, and in order to give readers some new angle, I paid a visit to the Crown Agents.

You may not worry a great deal about how the average British Colonial new issue gets into your album, but believe me, it's only the final link in a long chain of events. And in that chain, the Crown Agents are a very important factor. Never underrate their share in the proceedings (not financially — they just about cover themselves) but from the administrative point of view.

It is perhaps difficult for the reader in the United States to envisage the British Commonwealth, even from the worm's eye view of organizing the postage stamps. They of course are only an infinitesimal section of the work, but because of their wide distribution, play perhaps a larger role than their mere size suggests.

Colonies, Dominions, Protectorates

As in every other thing, politics are important. Just because a country is listed in Scott's as "British Commonwealth of Nations" or included in the "red" Gibbons (Part I — "British Empire" of that famous London catalog), it does not follow that administratively it is a part of a monolithic whole. Far from it.

The Commonwealth consists, in the first rough division, of the Dominions and the Overseas Territories. The Dominions — India, Ceylon, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, and the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland — are (with the exception of Ceylon) outside the scope of the Crown Agents activities. And Ceylon markets its stamps through their organization purely as a matter of administrative convenience.

That leaves the "Overseas Territories and Administrations" as the Crown Agents' full title has it. These consist of Colonies, Protectorates (such as Tanganyika), Condominium (such as the New Hebrides), Trusteeship Territories, and High Commission Terri-

ties (i.e. the three enclaves of Basutoland, Bechuanaland and Swaziland within the territory of the dominion of South Africa).

Then there are bits of land which are in rather an undefined state, such as Malta, and protected, but nominally sovereign, states such as the Aden sheikhdoms, and Tonga. But fortunately the questions of detailed administration are an internal business of the Crown Agents and need not concern the collector.

If you want more information about them, I advise you to read "British Colonial Stamps in Current Use" by R. Courtney Cade, available through Linn's.

"Millbank" At Work

Headquarters of the Crown Agents is a large block of offices just behind the House of Parliament in London, address: No. 4 Millbank. Here, on the second floor, are the administrative offices dealing with security printing (including postage stamps), and in another part of the building is a large stock room with shelves and packing tables, and lined with steel wall cupboards where the current stock is kept and made ready for dispatch.

And I would take this opportunity of mentioning that the Crown Agents do not sell direct to the collector. They deal only with traders on their "approved list", and approval means in effect no more than an ability to meet financial obligations. They charge a commission of 5% (about 75c) or 1/2 percent of face value — whichever is higher — per territory per order.

So if a dealer submits an order for a dozen territories, he is faced with at least £3 commission (\$8.50) which he has to meet out of the profit of his stamp sales. The result of this is that occasionally releases of small value stamps are held back on traders' orders (unless the dealer is in a big way of business) until a useful batch accumulates.

You may ask, "Why do the Crown Agents release odd orders like that, instead of waiting themselves for a big batch?" Here the answer is simple; they have to release the stamps in London as nearly as possible as the day on which they are released in the distant territory. Thus if, for instance, Fiji runs out of 1d stamps and uses a new issue, then that week only the Fiji 1d stamp can be placed on sale at Millbank, even if they have the rest of the series ready on their shelves.

Commission Pays Expenses

The Crown Agents, like any other agency, charges commissions on the value of orders it

places for its "clients", in this instance Commonwealth governments. In the case of stamps, the accumulated commissions, they average 1/2 percent on the \$1,000,000 annual turnover, making approximately \$5000, go towards paying for the permanent staff of more than 50 people who are engaged full-time in handling stamp printing, not only from the collectors' angle, but also to see that each government post office has enough supplies of all stamps at all times.

Now the \$1 million only refers to collectors' sales. There are other large printing bills on which commissions are taken, and which refer to the bread and butter stamps of every colony, which go on the mails, and are sometimes required in enormous quantities. So don't think that 50 people have to live on an average \$100 per year!

In any event, stamp commissions are pooled in the general fund which pays for the whole set-up, and any "profits" or rather surplus, remaining after the end of the year's working and provision for reserves, is repaid to the administrations concerned in proportion to the value of orders placed.

From Rough Draft To Finished Stamp

Local postal administrations, when they require a new stamp issue, supply a varied assortment of "raw material" to the Crown Agents. This can be either in the shape of rough or finished drawings, photographs, sketches, or perhaps only an indication as to the lines on which a new stamp issue should be shaped. Details would have to be worked out by the printers in conjunction with the reference material (Continued on page 13)

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In separate panel at the base of the design appears the caption, "Stamp Collecting Entertains and Educates".

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These A.S.D.A. poster stamps have been issued for each of the seven preceding shows from 1949 to date. A limited number of complete sets of 28 different will be available at the Information Booth at the Armory during the course of the show.

UNITED KINGDOM

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terial available in London, sometimes very considerable.

Normally, each new stamp issue is put out to tender by the four firms engaging in this class of work in Britain — Messrs. Bradbury Wilkinson & Co. Ltd.; Thomas De La Rue & Co. Ltd.; Waterlow & Sons; and Harrison & Co. On the quotations received, they make an adjudication, which has often to be weighed against the possible delivery times and the price a colony may (or may not) be prepared to pay. After all, it is more expensive and also slower to print a stamp in recess than by the photogravure process.

The next step is well-known to any philatelist who has ever seen a portion of the Royal Collection. It consists in giving the raw material to the printer selected, who instructs his studio artist to work out a suitable design. This is finished to a meticulous standard, and in the final size of the issued stamp, often consisting of portions of proofs (especially the stock dies of heads) pasted up in conjunction with the miniature interpretations of a scene or object, and surrounded by suitable borders and decorations.

These miniatures are called "trial drawings" by the Crown

Agents, and are usually accepted who see these designs (the Colonial Office for political reasons, the Queen because her portrait appears, and the Colonial governments when they either ask to see proofs and designs, or to check the accuracy of inscriptions in local letters) make amendments, which mean reworking the submissions to some extent. But generally speaking, there are few hold-ups.

Proofs of the engraving are usually passed by the Crown Agents, unless specially asked for otherwise, and at the passing of the final version for press, the appropriate announcement is put into the Crown Agents "Stamp Bulletin".

Sometimes an issue has been in preparation for a year or longer before the official announcement appears, and frequently of course, local sources anticipate the Crown Agents procedure. But the reasons for waiting are adequate and justified. What would be the point of rushing into print with details, and have to amend them sometimes month by month, until a final version is agreed on. Much better to keep quiet about it, and wait until it is all cut and dried.

But the Aden Queen Elizabeth series proves that even when stamps are printed and issued, there may still be amendments and corrections!

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The Crown Agents ship the finished stamps to the colony after the consignment has been checked as correct by their resident staff at the printers' premises. At this stage, they are also invoiced to the Government concerned and paid for as dispatched.

When an issue date is known from the Colonial post office, the Crown Agents send specimens of the new stamps to the press, and put the information into the next issue of the "Stamp Bulletin". Sometimes the consignment may still be on the high seas, at other times they may have been well matured in the local post office strongrooms, waiting for a stock of older issues to be consigned.

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I REMEMBER WHEN...

On the 20th anniversary of my conversion to the seal collecting hobby, both as a collector and a dealer, I trust my readers will allow me to indulge in a little reminiscing instead of reporting the factual part of this hobby as has been my usual practice. I am sure that most of us, at times, take pleasure in looking back over the years and recalling to mind past experiences, past mistakes, etc., and determining to govern our future accordingly.

Also to recall the many new friends acquired, both personally and through correspondence, many of whom we have never seen but nevertheless have played an important part in our lives.

I remember very clearly when mention of the fact that one collected "seals" brought forth a quizzical stare from most postage stamp collectors and dealers. To this day I haven't figured out whether they just didn't understand what I meant or whether they just couldn't possibly understand why anyone would collect "seals."

Perhaps it was the latter as I have had several stamp collectors pose the query: "Just why would anyone want to collect those things?"

Many were the times when I felt rather embarrassed and almost ashamed to admit I collected Christmas seals but I enjoyed them and felt that this was a free country and if I wanted to collect seals there was no reason I shouldn't.

Later my convictions were strengthened when I would note one of the incredulous collectors in a local stamp shop slyly purchasing a few seals from some broken collection and quickly depositing them out of sight as if committing a criminal act.

Then, too, I remember when an exhibition of charity seals at a stamp show was practically taboo and even if not actually barred there were few if any who would risk the scorn and sarcasm which probably would be forthcoming from their fellow collectors. However, as a few stalwarts determinedly carried on and gathered a few converts along the way, and the hobby was brought more and more to the attention of the dyed-in-the-wool collectors of postage stamps who had not as yet allowed themselves to be convinced, their comments were: "It is just a fad and cannot possibly last."

As time rolled on, more and more stamp exhibitions, local and national, included seal exhibits. In quite a few cases special classifications for these were included in the prospectus. Once the old prejudices were broken down seal collecting came into its own and started a rapid growth and is still growing. Not once in the past twenty years can I recall an instant when there was even a slight lull in interest but on the other hand each year seemed to add impetus to its growth.

One of the greatest stimulants to the hobby was the Christmas seal exhibition held in Copenhagen, Denmark, in November of 1953 commemorating the 50th anniversary of the first Christmas seal. This exhibition was international in scope and featured some of the finest collections in the world. This was known as "CARITAS" and a very beautiful miniature sheet was issued in conjunction with the exhibition which portrayed reproductions of the first seals of Denmark, Iceland and Danish West Indies in colors slightly darker than the original seals.

Again in November of 1955 another international exhibition was staged at Oslo, Norway in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the first Norwegian seal. A special souvenir sheetlet was also issued for this exhibition and portrayed the 1955 seal design in a block of four.

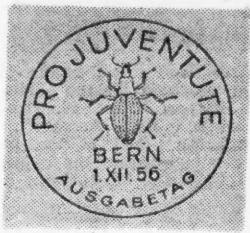
And so it goes, on and on. I can remember when, being a dealer, my main concern and efforts were bent towards acquiring customers. Today, I find myself devoting more time and effort towards acquiring material to furnish my clients. Many of my European sources of supply are unable to furnish me with sufficient copies of certain items to fill my needs thus necessitating my tapping every conceivable source where some of these items may be available.

Many times when looking through my collection I often note items which I acquired for mere "pennies" years ago and for which I would gladly pay dollars today to supply my clients' needs. Alas and alack, the old "supply and demand" law has taken hold of the seal hobby and as collectors rapidly increase, supplies

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There have been scattered occasions when some examples of such signed proofs have been shown publicly but this will be the first time that all of them have been brought together for such display.

The showing of these proofs will be one of Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield's contributions to the success of the A.S.D.A.'s show program. Preparation of the proofs' display is being done under the supervision of Robert E. Fellers, Director of the Post Office Department's Division of Philately.

Ways in which Mr. Summerfield and his aides are planning to function helpfully will be outlined by Mr. Keller from time to time. Tentatively, the program contemplates—besides the proofs display—the following:

1. A showing of more than \$1,000,000 worth of postal paper from official archives at Washington.

2. Operation of a New York City postal station on the floor of the armory.

3. A special Show cancellation which will include the A.S.D.A. show title and the show dates.

4. Sale, at the Post Office station, of commemorative stamps from the stocks of the Philatelic Agency at Washington.

5. Demonstrations of stamp printing on a press provided by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing in Washington.

Post Office Department spokesmen, including possibly Mr. Summerfield, will address the visitors at the show's opening ceremonies on November 16.

While no decision has yet been reached at Washington, the Division of philately has on file a request from Mr. Keller that a special postage stamp or other piece of postal stationery be issued so that first-day sales arrangement will coincide with the show's opening.

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When the Fifth International Philatelic Exhibition was held in New York City last spring, the sponsoring organization had the American Bank Note Co. design and print a triangular-shaped seal from engraved plates.

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A quantity of the seals remained. These have been acquired by Linn Philatelic Products, P. O. Box 29, Sidney, Ohio and are being sold at a greatly reduced price from what they sold at F.I.P.E.X.

A set of four sheets, a different color each, is sent for \$2 postpaid. A stout mailing tube is used. These are also sold at 30¢ postpaid for a triangular block of four and a single of each color. After this initial minimum purchase further single sets can be acquired at 5¢ each.

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Devils Tower FDC's Less Than 300,000

The Post Office Department has revealed that less than 300,000 first day covers were serviced for the Devils Tower commem — actually there were 285,090.

This stamp had its first day of issue at Devils Tower, Wyo. September 24.

Stamps sold amounted to 565,821 for a value of \$16,974.63.

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The "Philatelic Trader", a British publication for stamp dealers and wholesalers has just celebrated its 1000th issue. This monthly journal was established in 1899, changed to bi-monthly in 1926 and has continued so since. Agent in the U.S. for it is Daniel W. Vooy, P.O. Box 300, Canajoharie, N.Y. who can give details.

An error of price appeared in the ad of Frank Wagner, 1015 N. Clark St., Chicago 10, Ill. He had an offer of packets at clearance prices — 100 Afghanistan should have been \$6.25. Other material included the countries of Brazil, Jugoslavia, Persia, Finland, Denmark only, Ireland, Pakistan and Poland Pre-War.

Irwin Rosebaum, 567 Donald Lane, Woodmere, N.Y. is a dealer who specializes in the issues and related philatelic matter of Liberia. Just recently he added a considerable lot of Liberian material to his stock with the purchase of a good part of the Kemeny holdings offered at auction by H. R. Harmer. Send requests.

Ben Reeves, immediate past president of the Society of Philatelic Americans and his son Alex have opened the Ben Reeves Stamp Co., 4359 N. Elston Ave., Chicago 41, Ill. The store is open days and evenings, and all day Sunday. The firm has a good all around stock, buys and sells collections and has all kinds of covers.

One of the very few dealers in the United States from whom the stamps of Russia can be purchased is Lester S. Glass, P. O. Box 36646, Los Angeles 36, Calif. He has a price list which is sent for a stamped, addressed envelope, and otherwise free, to Linn's readers. Contained are over 930 different sets in mint or used.

Robert J. Warpiniski, Egg Harbor, Wis. has a profit sharing plan whereby customers can earn credit towards stamp purchases. For each 25¢ spent, in units of 25¢, a record is kept, which when the total reaches the sum of \$10 the customer is given the privilege of purchasing \$1.25 in stamps or supplies. This is a 12½% bonus.

One of the most popular nations of the world, Israel, is the subject of a two-page price list obtainable from Alvin J. Fairbrook, 133-21 Blossom Ave., Flushing 55, N. Y. at 25¢. Offerings are all inclusive — mint and used singles, mint with tabs, plate blocks, and first day covers. Also booklets, revenues and stationery.

Herbert A. Schwartz, Meadowbrook Lane, Old Westbury, N. Y. has the 1957 edition of his "United States Plate Number Block Catalog and Reference Guide" available. The Schwartz firm specializes in plate blocks from the Hardings to date and has those of the regulars, commems, airmails and souvenir sheets in fine to very fine.

Many collectors are going to be inspired by the Olympic Games beginning near the end of this month at Melbourne, Australia to start Olympic or Sports on Stamps collections. Available for the sending of a stamped, addressed envelope is a list of 1956 Olympic Games sets and FDC's by Frank Warner, 109 Nassau St., New York 38.

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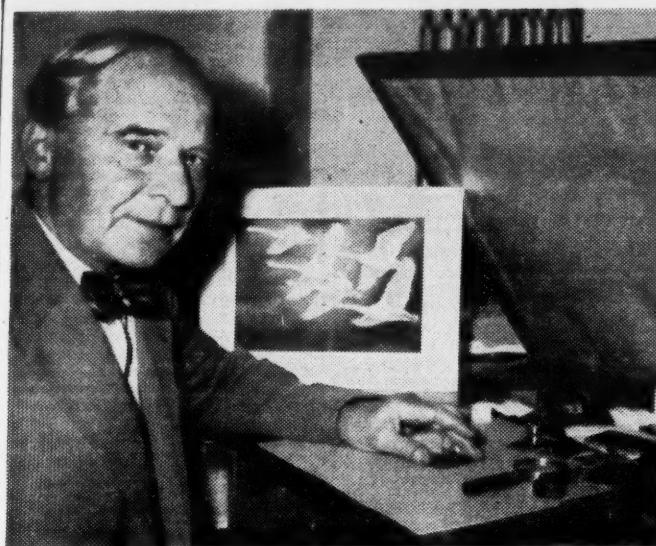
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Photo — Ernest A. Kehr, New York

The Philatelic Middle East

by Bruce Conde

Lebanese A.S.D.A. Launched

After interminable delays due to bureaucratic red tape (inherited from Ottoman and French mandate days plus their own inimical Arab brand), Lebanon's opposite numbers of our A.S.D.A. members finally have their "Sindicate of Lebanese Postage Stamp Dealers". Signed by Dr. Nabih Bizri, Minister of Social Affairs of the Lebanese republic, "Arrete No. 138" of 14 July 1956 provides for a government-recognized dealers' organization which will probably have the effect of steadily improving Lebanon's postage stamp policies.

Farah G. Farah, who "hand carried" the incorporation papers through government Departments to expedite matters by about six months, has been named Executive Secretary.

The original request was submitted to the government on February 20, 1956, and final action would normally have been taken a year later due to the fact that Lebanon's F. B. I.—the Surete-Generale—usually holds up such petitions until every prospective member has been fully investigated for possible Communist connections etc., as this country is very strict on such matters.

There are 18 founding members, representing about ¾ of Beirut's regular dealers. The present provisional executive committee, in addition, to Mr. Farah, includes Michel Stephan, of the Baroudy Stamp Co. Ltd., Elias Loussian, Abdallah Bizri, Samir Abdu and Tewfic Bashur, leading local dealers.

It was noticed that two of the big speculator-exporters deeply involved in recent Syro-Lebanese controlled new issue scandals were neither invited to join nor did they request membership.

Elections were scheduled for early September. Membership fees are 25 Lebanese pounds per year (\$7.80 U.S.).

Among present plans of the committee are proposals that a stamps production board be formed for Lebanon, to include not only postal officials concerned but also representatives of the Tourist Bureau, the Department of Antiquities, Education, Fine Arts etc. as well as a member of the Syndicate, for the purpose of devising and supervising a balanced bona-fide stamp program.

**Lebanon U.P.U. Air Design
On New Fiscals**

P. Koroleff, who designed Lebanon's U.P.U. congress airmails (Scott's C129-34) of 1947, has resurrected their Phoenician ship design for the new 1956 fiscals now making their appearance with postal cancels on parcel post-customer receipts.



The attractive little 20 x 28mm green stamps carry the same P. Koroleff - I.C. Beyrouth superscription as the airmails and an almost identical Phoenician galley, but

in surprisingly large English characters in the lower left margin. The Government Offset Press super-scription is on the right, in Arabic. 4,000,000 of these were issued on July 11 in sheets of 75, consisting of five horizontal rows of 15.

Details are not yet available on the new 12½pi., but the government presses are now busy overprinting with bars (Jordan bars, Egypt bars and now Syrian bars!) the 1955 Second Damascus Fair semipostals to eliminate the surtax. Government printers say that an estimated 10,000 will be defective and destroyed in the process, with the other 70,000 balance on hand surviving the overprinting successfully. The barred stamps will then be released to post offices as replacement stock, value by value, as needed, for regular postal use.

New 3rd Damascus Fair (for September 1956) stamps are now said to be in preparation.

Quantities of the new high value definitive airmails are now known to be 500,000 for the "low value" 1 pound stamp, and 250,000 for each of the other three values.

Baalbek Music Festival

Lebanon hopes to release a commemorative set in honor of the Baalbek International Music Festival which took place amid the stupendous Roman temple ruins of Lebanon's holy city of the gods in late July and early August of this year.

The Hamburg symphony orchestra was featured at the festival, where American conductor Leon Barzin made his first appearance in Oriental music circles and Lebanese American composer Anis Fuleihan had the honor of hearing his compositions played to an enthusiastic international audience.

Credit for the annual festival (which began in 1955) as well as for the coming stamp issue is again due to Lebanese Director of Tourism Michel Touma, who was responsible for Lebanon's present bi-colored air and post definitives (the latter featuring Baalbek's 60-foot pillars, beneath which the concerts were performed).

Baalbek is in the high inland valley of the sun god (Heliopolis) to the Greco-Romans) between the Lebanon and Anti-Lebanon mountains.

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tains and contains the greatest Roman temple ruins in the world outside of Rome itself. Built chiefly in the first and second centuries A.D. to impress the oriental nations with the grandeur and splendor of imperial Rome, and embellished with rose granite columns from Aswan in Egypt, the temples honor Lebanon's and Syria's old Phoenician and Semitic gods Baal (Haddad), Ashtarot (Astarte), and Adonis (Tammuz) under the names of their Greco-Roman counterparts Jupiter, Venus and Mercury.

The name of the triad's chief, Jupiter Heliopolitanus, however, failed to supplant Baal, and the sun god's city, often portrayed on Lebanese postage stamps during the past 30 years, still retains its pre-Hellenistic name of Baalbek—"The House (or place) of Baal".

Jordan Dues Delayed

Running true to form, Jordan's redrawn (re-lettered) postage due sets, described earlier herein, will be late in arriving from the printers in England. R.T. Ledger, of Amman, foremost Jordan authority, reports that they have been indefinitely delayed, while Jordan's rumored "Joining of the U.N." set has been permanently shelved due to Jordanian disapproval of U.N.

EDITORIAL
(Continued from page 4)

more about stamps and the finer points of the hobby. This can come from reading about them and from carefully thinking over what you have read. We again want to refer to our editorial of October 22, where we quoted at length from the International Stamp News about the Caspary collection. Do not be discouraged if you can not have a collection like Mr. Caspary had. He got no more pleasure out of it than you can get from your collection. It is estimated that when it is all sold that it will realize between four and five million dollars. That is far beyond the imagination of most of us, but it is also pointed out that there are thousands of stamps that Mr. Caspary never owned that could have paid him off better for the amount he invested, than did the stamps he bought.

Remember however that the Caspary collection was an accumulation of a great many years. I do not know how many, but presume that it must have been gathered over a period of perhaps 40 to 50 years. Thus you see that you can not hope to buy stamps for four or five years or even ten years and then sell out for a big profit. You can rest assured however that if you buy and collect in the right manner, over a long period of years that you can expect to get a good return for your collection.

Starting right is important. The field is so big that no one of modest means can tackle the whole world. Even Caspary limited his buying to certain things. Several thousand dollars over a period of years all spent on British Colonials, for example, will be worth in the end a great bit more than if the sum was scattered world-wide for the cheaper stamps. Think it over if you want to collect in the right manner. Latin America is another good group. There are many groups that will tax your resources to keep up with the current issues and at the same time to go back and pick up the earlier stamps of these countries, over the past century. But fine copies of these earlier issues will in the end, turn out to be the most valuable stamps in your collection.

Thus with the millions who collect stamps, we will find that there are a very great many fields in which to search. With this situation there may be enough of the finer early issues to care for all, but prices on these early issues will advance rapidly should a large group go for any certain group of countries.

If you are undecided, consult with your dealer, ask for his advice, talk with older and experienced collectors, find a field and stick to it but do not be satisfied with just picking up the current issues, go back to the start and fill in those missing ones.

Such a plan of collecting will make plenty of business for the dealer too and thus all will prosper.

1956 has been a prosperous year. We fully believe that 1957 will fare as well and that means business for everyone.

Any collector or dealer who has watched this paper over the past ten years must marvel at its growth just as we do. It has become a great success, due to hard work, an understanding of what makes a good paper and a circulation which any dealer should recognize as a business getter. Too often we have dealers who offer things that are popular, and of which they have a short supply. The flood of orders soon cleans them out. In such cases the dealer should immediately make refund rather than neglect to acknowledge the order and hope to get the material to fill it. This makes for dissatisfied customers and why spend money to get a customer and then treat them so they will not want to do business with you again. I have such an example before me right now. The dealer offered Israel, one of the hottest sellers at present. We got several complaints soon after the advertisement was printed. We knew the answer was that the dealer had offered popular material and was sold out. They should have promptly refunded but failed to do this thus the complaints.

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This is a tremendous tribute to the hobby of stamp collecting and you can feel proud that you are a part of this great hobby.

To you who are not able to attend the ASDA National Postage Stamp Show that will be held in the 71st Regiment Armory in New York on November 16, 17 and 18, just realize that this great show will rival FIPEX in every way, but on a smaller scale. Attendance for three days will perhaps again run over 60,000. Material on display will be the finest, there will be no judges to argue, fuss and create dissension. You collectors alone will be the judges and in the past years of this great show your judgment has been perfect. You have supported it and the dealers who help make it possible. They after all are the backbone of such events for even at Fipex with its great collections on display, the focal point was the booths of the dealers where you could buy rather than look at stamps. Without the dealer booths the shows would be absolute flops.

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EGYPT SUEZ CANAL ISSUE POSSIBLE

Middle East Philatelic circles, taking Egypt's Suez Canal Evacuation Agreement stamps as a precedent, tell us not to be surprised if a definitive or overprinted commemorative set appears suddenly in honor of President Abdul Nasser's July 26 announcement of nationalization of the famous waterway.

In spite of highly biased and emotional reporting on the subject in stateside news magazines, long-time American and European residents of the Middle East recognize that there is a great deal more equity in the Egyptian position than has been generally recognized abroad, and that the move was regarded as a long overdue one not only in Egypt but throughout the whole Arab world, from Morocco to Iraq.

A stamp issue on this basis would be extremely popular, and chances of its appearance are excellent, particularly in view of the fact that leaders of the Egyptian revolution are not exactly shrinking violets or averse to widespread popular publicity.

In spite of many well-known shortcomings and drawbacks, Gamal Abdul Nasser is now solidly entrenched in the hearts of 60,000,000 Arabs as their leading national leader. Neutral observers in this area predict that if our country is

drawn into Anglo-French retaliatory measures against him, in the interests of preserving remnants of their colonial power in the Arab area, we not only risk the loss of our vast Arab oil interests but also of all western influence in the Middle East, with the Soviets rapidly filling the vacuum.

The only alternative would be abandonment of American principles of self-determination of peoples and the perpetuation of unpopular Anglo-French controls by force of arms.

A review of Egyptian stamp issues since 1952 will show the buildup of this situation, as spearheaded by the Egyptian revolution against the subservient Egyptian monarchy, and a Suez Canal Nationalization stamp or set at this time would probably be symbolic of the climax of the Egyptian army coup which has rapidly changed the entire face of the Middle East.

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	Un- Plate used	Un- Bk. Bk. Sgl.	Used
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329 2c Carmine	2.50 .65	.15	
330 5c Blue	22.50 5.00	2.25	

1909 LINCOLN-ALASKA-HUDSON ISSUE

	Un- Plate used	Un- Bk. Bk. Sgl.	Used
367 2c Lincoln	7.50 1.75	.50	.35
368 2c Lincoln Imperf.	13.00 3.00	2.50	
369 2c Lincoln Bicentennial	16.00 .75		
370 2c Alaska Yukon	3.50 .75	.15	
371 2c Alaska	16.00 4.00	2.00	
372 2c Hudson Fulton	2.50 .50	.28	
373 2c Hudson Imperf.	14.00 3.50	2.00	

1912-15 PANAMA-PACIFIC ISSUE

	Perf. 12	Perf. 10	Perf. 10
397 1c Green	3.00 .85	.10	
398 2c Carmine	3.00 .65	.05	
399 5c Blue	22.50 5.50	1.00	
400 10c Yellow	45.00 9.00	1.25	
400a 10c Orange	45.00 10.00	1.10	

1919 VICTORY ISSUE

	20c	50c	1.00	.65
527 3c Violet	20.00	5.00	1.00	.65

1920 PILGRIM ISSUE

	1.50 .35	.25
548 1c Green	1.50 .35	.25
549 2c Carmine	3.00 .65	.05
550 5c Blue	20.00 4.50	2.50

1923 HARDING MEMORIAL ISSUE

	2.50 .40	.10	.02
610 2c Black	12.50 4.40	1.10	.02
611 2c Blk. Impf.	12.50 4.40	1.10	.02
612 2c Blk. Rot. VF	8.00 2.00	.12	
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1924 HUGUENOT-WALLOON ISSUE

	3.00 .60	.30	.03
614 1c Green	2.50 .50	.35	.03
615 2c Carmine	2.50 .50	.30	.03
616 5c Blue	35.00 16.00	2.75	2.50

1925 LEXINGTON CONCORD ISSUE

	3.75 1.50	.35 .40	.04
854 1c Green	3.75 1.50	.35 .40	.04
855 2c Carmine	5.50 3.00	.70 .50	.04
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	2c Car. & Blk. (8)	2.25 2.50	.60 .80	.60
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	5c Sesqui	5.50 1.50	.30 .35
827 2c Ericson	14.50 5.50	1.25 .65	
828 2c White Plains	5.00 1.50	.30 .30	
829 2c Alcott	5.00 1.50	.30 .20	
830 2c Vermont	3.25 .80	.20 .14	
831 2c Burgoyne	5.50 1.80	.45 .40	
832 2c Br. Forge	2.25 1.00	.15 .10	
833 2c Molly Pitcher	7.50 1.50	.15 .10	
834 2c Hawaii	9.50 2.00	.50 .40	
835 2c Hawaii	20.00 6.00	1.50 1.30	
836 2c Aeronautic	2.00 .70	.72 .18	
837 2c Aeronautic	8.00 2.60	.65 .55	
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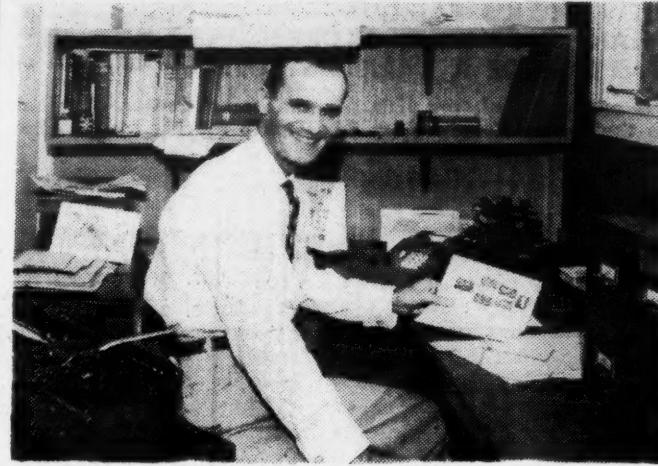
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Postally used copies of the Solomons have always been much harder to come by and for this reason we favor a complete cancelled collection over a mint one. Any used stamp of the Solomons that you can pick up at half of the 1956 Scott quotations is an excellent buy. Many are worth close to, or full, to the all-important copra industry on the stamps of this colony, but there certainly is an over-abundance of all kinds of canoes to satisfy even the most avid boating enthusiast. This preoccupation with canoes started with the first 1907 issue and stamp designers have never been quite able to break loose from tradition to this day.

When buying the current QEII set, always keep in mind that the currency is the Australian Pound, worth \$2.25, not \$2.80. However, postally used copies, though current, are eagerly sought and fetch 25% to 35% above face value!

Incidentally, Tulagi postmarks were the most frequently found until the beginning of 1953 when the administrative headquarters for the British Solomon Islands was transferred to the present capital of Honiara. Tulagi is a very small islet about 30 miles north of the new center.

The island of Bougainville, which was an important battleground of World War II and to which newspaper reports at that time always referred to as part of the British Solomon Islands, actually was part of the 1899 "islands swap" between Great Britain and Germany, going to the latter power.

In 1914, these German Solomon Islands were occupied by Australian troops and in 1920 this area, to the northwest of the British Solomon Islands, was designated an Australian mandate by the now-defunct League of Nations. It is still being administrated by the "down-under" dominion.

This winds up our series on the British Solomon Islands, next stop, when space permits, will be the Sultanate of Brunei, under British protection, which occupies a small area on the northwest coast of the island of North Borneo.

Most stamp catalogues prefer to list Scott No. 27 as part of the "Multiple Crown and Script CA" watermark set of 1922-31, which makes Nos. 28-41, the "Postage - Revenue" KGV set with the old "Multiple Crown & CA" watermark the fourth issue. Gibbons gives a slight edge in value to the ½d in green over the yellow-green. Scott lists both shades as No. 28. There are two colors of the 5d in combination with olive-green: dull purple and brownish purple, the value being about the same. The 5/- Scott No. 39, on orange-buff paper (1920) is easily worth full Scott, mint or used.

Of the fifth issue, Nos. 43-56, which remained in use for 17 years, the 4d used is another item worth full catalogue. The next four values are all listed at \$1 per stamp and the 5d and 1ld, both used, are selling for that much net.

The KGV Silver Jubilee and Coronation sets followed, both again far more desirable in cancelled condition, as Scott correctly indicates. The attractive KGV pictorial series Nos. 67-79

very much in the minority, expressed the view that we ought to stick strictly to philatelic matter and cut out all unnecessary chit-chat.

Every reader who expressed an opinion on the subject was in favor of plenty of market tips. Apparently there is a speculator lurking in each of us. Well over 95% of the postcards and letters received favored our present format and asked that we continue along these same lines. We plan to do that, with perhaps a little more emphasis on sound suggestions when to hold off for a while and more details on the very active London market which, after all, is the deciding factor on all market developments concerning British Commonwealth postage stamps.

In case you meant to forward some suggestion or comment, but failed to do so, we are always happy to hear from you!

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10N22-28	Numerals o/print	.14	.10	10N187-204	2nd 5 Year Plan	.02	.28
10N24-44	Fam. Men	.10	.13	10N185	Lessing	.05	.03
10N43	K. Liebknecht	.05	.05	10N207	Four Power Conf.	.06	.03
10N46	Congress	.06	.06	10N208	Stalin	.05	.03
10N47	Surcharge	.06	.06	10N210-11	Bicycle Race	.08	.04
10N48	P.U.P.	.15	.15	10N212	Youth Meeting	.08	.04
10N49	Postal Workers	.16	.17	10N213	Thalman	.05	.03
10N51-2	Winter Sport	.19	.21	10N214-5	Leipzig Fair	.08	.04
10N53	First of May	.24	.28	10N216-23	Surcharges	.21	.13
10N54-7	Pres. Pieck	.15	.20	10N223A	Anniversary	.05	.02
10N58-67	Academy of Science	.10	.00	10N224-5	Day of Stamps	.05	.01
10N68-9	Copper Mining	.25	.25	10N226	Sheet	.06	.01
10N70	Elect. Day	.12	.10	10N227-30	5 Year Plan	.12	.08
10N71-4	Peace	.24	.24	10N228	Autumn Fair	.06	.01
10N75	5th Pres. Pieck	.70	.70	10N229	Stamp Day	.05	.01
10N76-7	Winter Sport	.18	.20	10N230	Leipzig Fair	.09	.04
10N78-9	Leipzig Fair	.25	.28	10N235	Women's Day	.03	.02
10N80-1	Polish Friendship	.80	.66	10N236-7	Conference	.08	.04
10N82-4	China Friendship	1.05	1.05	10N237	Liberation Sheet	.45	.41
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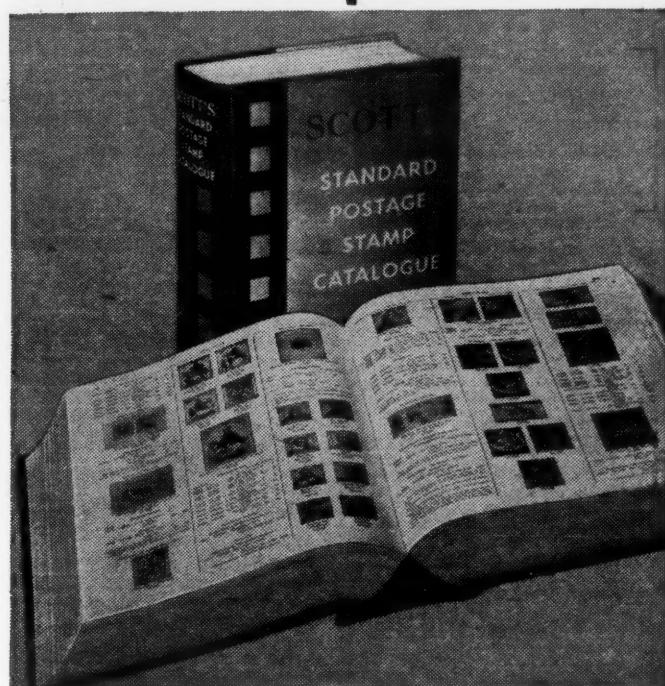
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I was born in Holland, and as a teenager and ever since I have collected stamps. When World War II broke out, I was employed in the Dutch East Indies. The Japanese soon overran the country and for almost four years I was a prisoner of war, and my stamp collection was gone. I was lucky to come out alive.

After the war, I decided to come to the United States and start over again. I realized it would be difficult, without a knowledge of the customs and only a fair knowledge of the language. I arrived in New York and for nearly a year I found employment on various jobs, but none seemed to hold a future for me.

pointment for an interview for me with a view to employment. I felt much better when I went home that evening.

The next day the doctor told me the bone had not healed and that I would have to wear a cast for two months. The word "desperate" is poor to describe my feelings at that moment; in a strange country, without a job, without friends and family, all alone in a horrible place, bound in bed for two months, and with little money left.

I phoned my friend and told him shortly that I could not come because of the result of the X-ray. His reaction I shall never forget as long as I live — it made me cry inside. All he said was, "Mike, who is taking care of you?" My answer was "Nobody", and I put the telephone on the hook.

"Who cares?", I thought.

My employer loaded me in his truck and back we went to my hole.

The very same day however I got a visit from him, and he talked to me as a father and one who completely understood my feelings and situation. "You must get out of this atmosphere", he said. The next morning here comes my friend and a fraternal brother, and they moved me and my baggage to the local inn.

From that moment everything turned out better and better. The inn was clean and cheerful and served good food. Friends began to appear from everywhere. It seemed that the whole of that small community were suddenly my best friends. I was invited to dinner in their homes, to the Rotary Club luncheons, and I even attended a meeting of the High School International Club and

through an advertisement in an agricultural journal, I was offered a job on a specialty farm on the Pacific Coast. We Dutch have a reputation for being good farmers, and here I thought I would have a chance to learn the business. I packed my three suitcases and took the bus across country.

My destination turned out to be about four miles from a small town. My living quarters were a room on the upper floor of a shed; and I took my meals with a Dutch family working at the same place. After a few months, while unloading a truck a box fell on my leg and fractured my ankle. I learned that farm laborers are not covered by state accident insurance; I could not work until my ankle healed; and my money was almost exhausted. I just had to sit in my room and wait.

To help pass the time I thought to become interested in my stamps again. I wrote to the local paper and inquired if there were any stamp collectors. Yes, I received a letter in a few days and an invitation to a home. It was a very pleasant evening as we had mutual interests not only in stamps but in world wide travel and other subjects.

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357	.06	577-80, 95-602, 37-39 .05
359-72	.30	610 & 50-54 3.66 .05
382	.12	615-57-58 .05
383	.15	616-42 .05
383A-85F	.25	617-59 .05
386	.14	618-89 & .05
394	.06	621 & 2193 .06
394	.39	626-65 .04
412	.60	626-67 .05
413-16	.20	628 .05
417	.03	629, 91-92 .02
421	.12	630-71-72 .03
427-51	.66	631-72 .08
428	.04	632-75 .05
433	.04	633-78 .05
434	.16	634-81 .05
435	.04	635-84 .05
436	.04	636-87 .05
437-70	.31	637-90 .05
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News From The Three Germanies

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PITY THE EAST GERMANS

I suppose it is the same in East Germany as everywhere else—collect your own country first, and then see what the rest of the world is like. If however your purpose is a limited one, you are best advised to stick strictly to the "Peoples' Democracies", because you'll find that your own government has made non-Communist stamps awfully expensive.

The other day I received List No. 1 issued by the State-Owned Stamp Stores in East Berlin. They listed recent issues of East Germany, Albania, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, the USSR and China, and they start at double face value for their own stamps, and the rest of Schellenberg, the many designs by Prof. Troyer for previous issues all prove that Liechtenstein has produced fine work.

But the real snag comes in the case of Western issues. Unfortunately the list contains no USA offers to make your hair stand on end, but the British Colonial prices are juicy, to put it mildly.

Just remember that these prices should be calculated at the official East Mark - Dollar rate which currently stands (converted via the Mark-Roube rate) at 2.20 Marks to the \$1! And at those prices the charges for the current complete mint set of Bermuda are 123.40 DM (face value \$6.10), for the Rhodesia-Nyasaland federation issue 121.70 DM (face \$6), for the current Gambia set 130DM (face \$6.80). These three are representative, and work out at roughly 16DM to the \$1, with the "official" rate at 2.20DM!

Even if you take the East and West Marks at par—which is what the East German government is trying to achieve—that only gives you a rate of 4DM to the \$1. So the unfortunate East German collector has to pay four times face value, at the most optimistic estimate, to obtain non-Communist stamps. I call it daylight robbery.

COLLECTORS - KEEP YOUR NOSES OUT OF THE STAMP DESIGN BUSINESS!

You may be keen philatelists—but does not qualify you to design stamps. Leave that task to the experts—the artists and printers—and you'll get better results than the collected ability of organized philately.

Harsh words? Maybe, true ones. I can safely say that such stamps as were issued from the designs of amateur philatelists are almost universally dismal failures. You collect stamps as a hobby as a relaxation from your work as butchers, bakers, or candle-stick makers. What in heaven's name makes you think you can design stamps?

Brief the artist by all means, but be reasonable... and accept what he gives you with the minimum of alterations. But please do not attempt to play at stamp artist.

You've all seen the results of the man who wanted to build his own car from scratch, or from scrap. And you've probably had a quiet smile at his efforts, prompted by the thought that, after all, he was doing his best. But you yourself prefer something which was cooked up by a team of Detroit professionals with all the paraphernalia of modern engineering at their disposal.

Distribution of the items was achieved by various means. Complete mail bags—forged—with equally false contents, including envelopes, stamps, postmarks, were dropped by allied planes near bombed railway stations to give the impression that they had come from damaged trains. Their contents were furnished with addresses taken from directories, and several people have testified that this material was actually delivered to them in the closing days of the war. Others were detected and captured.

To frank this propaganda ma-

terial, postal forgeries of the current 3, 6 and 12pf. Hitler Head stamps were executed in Britain and the USA, which were cancelled with imitation postmarks. Whilst the stamp forgeries are almost perfect, mistakes occur in the postmarks, such as the inscription "(12a) Wien" at a time when Vienna did not possess a single genuine date stamp furnished with its district number in a circle.

If he is indeed the "policy adviser" to the postal department, his advice is good, and he has done as much as anyone to keep Liechtenstein issues on a sound and even keel. They are produced in moderation, and in good order, and there is not a trace of funny business about their sale and issue. In fact, the Principality certainly learned its lessons in that disastrous 1920-1921 period, which still occasional-

ly damns the name of Liechtenstein in collectors' eyes.

But I do advise the worthy cleric to stop trying to design stamps and get them printed. They may be "quaint"—if so, that is unintentional. Father Frommelt's lettering is weak, and his draftsmanship nothing to write home about. His border designs are pleasant, yet even when he copies from Prof. Troyer (now in the United States) as in the case of the 1952 and 1953 "Paintings" sets, his weaknesses are evident.

As long as he stuck to borders and lettering, the results were saved from the impossible. But now he has advanced to complete stamp designs, I beg him to desist. "Shoe maker, stick to your last" is perhaps the most apt quotation.

Liechtenstein has excellent philatelic connections with both Austria and Switzerland, and has in her past employed the finest stamp artists from both schools. Prof. Seger's sport and wild life stamps, his set for the 250th anniversary of Schellenberg, the many designs by Prof. Troyer for previous issues all prove that Liechtenstein has produced fine work.

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All this material is uncommonly scarce, for the very good reasons that it was either confiscated as soon as it appeared (mail bags with forged letters), was delivered to the authorities for fear of reprisals (it was a punishable offence to possess enemy propaganda), or destroyed during the war either by enemy action or because non-philatelic recipients did not recognize its interest.

Because of this scarcity, several items have had their imitations. The "Hitler Skull" stamp is available in large quantities in the shape of very poor lithographed imitations, which can be "plated" to show successive wear. Then there are a lot of mysterious propaganda stamps, about which very little is known, such as the label showing Georing

appropriate postmarks ready for mailing. These cards contained various propaganda messages.

Then we come to a most curious group of material, the Himmler and Frank stamps, produced in imitation of the contemporary Hitler definitives current in Germany and General-Government respectively. It is still difficult to decide just what would be the purpose of these imitations.

We know that Hitler insisted on his own features on a stamp, and that one assumes a split in leadership was in the minds of the British intelligence service who ordered Messrs. Waterlow & Sons to print these efforts. They made a remarkably good job of them, too, it should be noted.

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in the frame of the 1943 Hitler set.

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A Brief Philatelic Tour Of The Stamp-Issuing Entities Of The Arabian Middle East

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With dozens of new definitive and commemorative issues, not a few philatelic wrinkles, improved techniques of stamp production and more widespread interest in philately at popular level, the Arab Middle East countries made lots of philatelic history and gained a host of new collector friends in 1956. Embraced within this vast territory are no less than 19 separate stamp-issuing entities, from the Atlantic Ocean in the west to the Iraq-Persian border in the east and from the Mediterranean Sea and Turkey on the north to Central Africa and the Indian Ocean to the south.

A few areas, principally colonial ones, showed no change in philatelic status, but the newly-independent countries and old and new Arab League states provided no end of innovations.

West to East, a thumbnail sketch of this situation is given below:

Spanish Sahara: This western-most Arabic-speaking state remains a Spanish Colony up to latest news from the Atlantic Arab area. Its colorful and inexpensive Spanish colonial issues are very popular with the juvenile trade. As its "Solan Azul" or "Blue Sultan", the paramount native ruler, is looking Arab-wise, like his powerful neighbor to the north, newly-independent Sultan Mohammed V of Morocco, we may see a federated Arab state and distinctive stamp issue here in the not-so-distant future.

Morocco: Formerly divided into three separate stamp-issuing entities, the now sovereign, united and independent Sharifian Empire of Morocco is rapidly moving toward a unified stamp issue. New definitives bearing the effigy of His Imperial Majesty Mohammed V (Sidi Mohammed ben Yusef) in French and Spanish currency, respectively, are now replacing issues of the former zones of protectorate of France and Spain in the far-western Arab empire, with the status of the internationalized Tangier zone's adhesives still in doubt as political events move toward the early re-incorporation of that last-remaining enclave of European colonization in Morocco into the Sultan's 1956-independent country.

Algeria: The incongruous separate Algerian stamp issues for what the French government

claims is an integral part of the Republic of France continue to date, in the zone still under French military control. Elsewhere in Algeria, under the independent but unrecognized Algerian Republican Government, which has just announced codification of its fundamental constitutional law as a separate state, it is not known if adhesive stamps or special "Paid" postal marking, in Arabic, have yet replaced French Algerian remainders.

Only "free" soldiers' mail from rebel army forces in the field is known to date to have emanated from the areas no longer under French control. As soon as solicited authentic covers arrive, they will be published and illustrated by the writer in a subsequent issue of this paper. French-issued Algerian stamps are so similar to those of continental France in size and general make-up, and are so plentiful both mint and used that they do not appear to have attracted much of a following outside the ranks of French colonial collectors.

Tunisia: "Tunisie" plus the French Republic's initials "RF," which, along with the star and crescent arms of the Bey, have been so familiar to collectors for over a half-century. They are now being modified by suppression of the RF and playing up pictures of the Bey, His Majesty Sidi al-Amin, sovereign of another 1956-independent former French North African state, as liquidation of France's last remaining possessions in the Arab world goes on apace.

We will have to watch 1957's Arab

League moves closely to see if Tunisia and Morocco will now join the League and Arab Postal Union along with the nine other independent Arab countries and possibly issue uniform A.P.U. sets like six of the latter have already done during the past few years.

Libya: This 1951-independent country started off its definitive issues with a royal portrait set inspired by the new kingdom's royalty-conscious British advisers. After the newness of being a king began to wear off, however, distant members of the Royal House began to feel their oats as new-found princes. They began kicking up their heels and running wild under the *lese-majeste* immunity code which protects the royal family's persons from arrest or prosecution. Finally, scholarly old King Idris I had enough of the whole business.

Casting royal tradition to the wind he ordered his effigy removed from all of the stamp issues, substituting sheaves, or branches of wheat, olives, and palm fronds to represent Libya's three provinces of Fezzan, Tripoli and Cyrenaica, under a small crown to symbolize their unity as a United Kingdom.

He thereupon withdrew immunity from members of the royal family, making them equal before the law along with the commoners, and forbade use of the title "Majesty" except for God. These precautions taken, citizen-king Mohammed Idris as-Senussi, whose sole philatelic appearance was and will be on Scott's No. 135-48 of 1952, withdrew from the world of stampdom to his favorite world of books, to appear in our albums no more.

Unlike the foregoing three Arab states whose stamp supplies must be obtained, despite recent independence, in the usual way of Spanish and French colonial issues, the U.K. of Libya has its stamps printed by the private firm of Bradbury, Wilkinson & Co., Ltd., in England, on unwatermarked paper. These are sold at face value (£1 = \$2.87) at its local post offices only.

Dealers note, however, that due to lack of philatelic facilities and because of exchange difficulties etc., the philatelic wholesale value of the Libyan pound, after deduction of wholesale suppliers' fees and commission usually runs in the vicinity of \$3.16 U.S.

Despite long definitive sets with plenty of high values, and lack of commemoratives (except the A.P.U. sets, now exhausted — on remainders of Farouk monogrammed royal Egyptian stamp paper, by the way, due to their production in early-republican Cairo), Libyan stamps are extremely popular, with demand far exceeding supply, not only among a growing host of Arab A.P.U. collectors, but abroad as well.

Egypt: The problem child of the Arab Middle East, at least from the French and British viewpoint if not from our own, Egypt's republican revolutionary government has continued the defunct monarch's tradition of colorful commemorative issues (the Revolution, Republic, Suez Evacuation, Boy Scout Jamboree and now Suez Canal Nationalization), as well as a much more attractive definitive series (Agriculture, Defense, Monuments and Pharaonic Queen Neferneferuaten Farouk).

But the new regime's philatelic economies have caused a great deal more concern than its commemoratives. By using royal monogram paper remainders for Libyan and Jordanian A.P.U. issues (they tried it on republican Syria but had to recall and burn the entire issue and reprint it on unwatermarked stock) the Republic's postal authorities raised strange wrinkles on the philatelic face of those states.

It was a much more grandiose economy operation, however, to utilize nearly two decades of Farouk's royal portrait definitive remainders in patriotic republican-revolutionary fashion by printing anywhere from 3 to 9 bars across the ex-king's once-handsome visage. This netted philately no less than 210 major and 12 minor varieties plus no end of headaches. Stolow, Warner and other New York wholesalers who plunged heavily into the bars issue because of their reputation for supplying more Middle East issues to statewide retailers than any other American firms, all had their share of nightmares trying to keep up with the "bars" and "double bars" until the last of these ugly overprints finally bit the philatelic dust.

One thing the new regime's

housecleaners have NOT done is to overhaul the entire unsatisfactory Egyptian post office philatelic set up. Adequate a.d.v.a.n.c.e-of-issue notice is seldom given. Strict controls, about as bad as great Britain's, severely limit stamp exports and enmesh them in delaying masses of red tape.

Egyptian dealers are about the most uncooperative and unphilatelic-minded in the world. They simply won't rush rare advance of issue information out even when it is available. They don't put themselves out to send FDC specimens to philatelic writers for illustration material, even at a good profit.

They kept no record of the different sources or types of legitimate bar o/p's, thus making an authoritative study of the latter impossible, and to some of them have been traced troublesome counterfeits or rare bar varieties.

They are reticent about imparting philatelic information except about the extreme rarity and fantastic prices of their often questionable "rare" "scarce" and "unusual" varieties.

Were it not for the first-rate Philatelic Society of Egypt, under the presidency of foremost Egyptian expert and specialist Ahmad Mazloum, and the uncommon attractiveness and charm of the Land of the Nile's stamp issues in general, plus the existence of a small number of serious and responsible dealers and a widespread philatelic community, Egypt would not today be able to maintain its very high worldwide philatelic popularity. This has increased rather than declined, since the days of philatelist-king Ahmad Fouad I, a Confederate State specialist, who died in 1936.

The much-touted Royal Palace stamp auction of philatelic properties inherited or acquired by accumulator-king Farouk the First (and the Last) served to arouse as much additional interest in Egyptian philately as the speculative handling of this year's scandalous Scout Jamboree "favor" sheets in favor of big purchasers did to lower it. But in-the-know philatelists are agreed that Egypt's stamp popularity is here to stay and that Egyptian philatelic material generally represents a solid field for both collector and investor.

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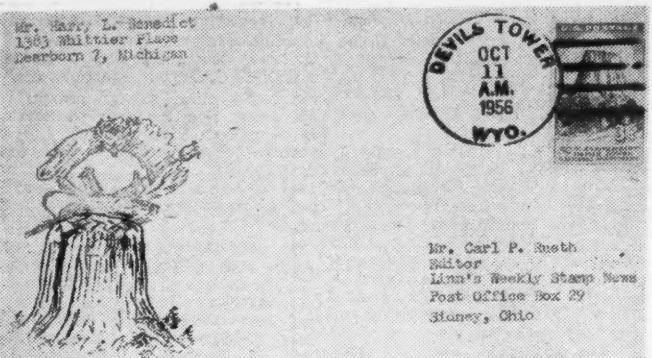
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Devil's Tower

By Carl P. Rueh

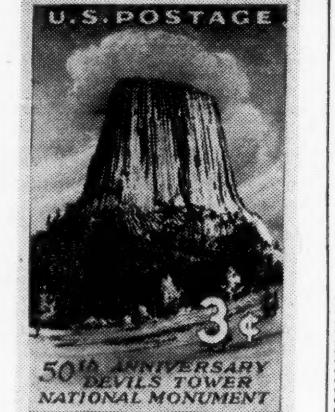
Notice "Old Nick" perched on that stump-like object on the above cover. Since any appearance of Satan either actually or figuratively stirs the curiosity and/or the conscience, one might rightfully be prompted to the exclamation, "What the devil is he doing there?" But then if you let your eyes wander to the postmark, Devil's Tower, Wyoming, your question will be answered, to some extent, that is. But don't let natural human laziness stop you from pursuing the thing a step or so further. In this case, curiosity accompanied with a little effort will reveal to you an interesting story. And who doesn't like a story?

Mixed in with that cover are geology, mystery, geography, and Indian legends — certainly a tempting array for any kind of reading and learning.

Devil's Tower National Monument, an area approximately 6100 by 9000 feet in northeastern Wyoming, is the first national monument created in the United States. It was established in 1906 by President Teddy Roosevelt under authority of the so-called Antiquities Act.

The Monument area is practically in the front yard of the community of Devil's Tower, the whole business being located about 35 miles south of the Montana border and 30 miles west of the South Dakota.

And dominating the entire landscape of the region, is the Devil's Tower itself. It is known to the Sioux Indians as Mateo Tepee. In appearance it resembles a huge fluted monumental shaft upon a mound with the Belle Fourche River flowing near its base and set off with adjacent grasslands and pine forests.



The Devil's Tower commem issued September 24.

According to the Interior Department's National Park Service, the Tower rises 1280 feet above the river and some 865 feet above the mound on which it seems to rest. Somewhat in the shape of a truncated cone it is 1000 feet in diameter at the base and approximately 275 across the top.

Being human, you will want to know what the heck's on top of that hunk of rock since a little quick arithmetic will tell you that there is about an acre and a half of surface up there. Some of you who have taken a hand at gardening will guess the answer, especially after you have fought grass, moss and weeds in places where you would have said even the devil couldn't survive.

Not only does that acre and a half have its full share of grass, moss, sagebrush, shrubs and ferns, it also has some animal life — birds, too. The four-footed "beasties" which have been seen scampering around on this giant's table are mice, pack rats and chipmunks; and don't ask how they got up there, either.

The birds which have claimed the Tower as their own include falcons and hawks.

Geologists are by no means in

agreement as to the origin of this "sore thumb" on the scenery. Nearly all agree that at one time the rock of the Tower was molten and forced upward from deep within the earth, and that it cooled beneath the surface.

But whether the shaft as it stands today is hardened lava in the mouth of an old volcano with the walls having deteriorated away, or whether it is part of a great sheet or sill of molten rock which was injected between rock layers, cannot be positively stated.

Either way, tons and tons of rock have been removed by erosion, caught by the river, and carried toward the sea.

In any event, the Tower is old enough to be someone's grandpappy — some scientists say it was formed in the Age of Mammals 50 million years ago, but that the wearing hand of erosion didn't expose it to the elements and subsequent human eyes until just about yesterday — two million years ago.

Tourists and natural history students will find a "bushel" of things to claim their attention at the Monument. As for instance, inside the park is one of the few remaining prairie dog colonies. Formerly the "dogs" were as much a part of the West as the cowpokes, but when agriculture came in, the dogs of a necessity went out.

There is an abundance of small animals like rabbits and chipmunks, and now and again you can spot a mule deer. If you like to study plant life, there's noth-

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The forenoon's program will include addresses by one or more spokesmen for the Post Office Department. And nearby, the new postal cards will be obtainable, by the show visitors, at a special postal sub-station installed by New York City's postmaster Robert H. Schaffer.

The locale of all this activity will be the 71st Infantry Regiment Armory, Park Ave. and 34th St.

A postal official at Washington has pointed out that the issuing of the International cards (each illustrating the Statue of Liberty and carrying the "In God We Trust" motto) will appropriately tie in with president Eisenhower's recently-inaugurated nation wide "People-to-people partnership" campaign to a waken interest among all the world's peoples in bringing about a true and lasting peace" and thus to assure security for America.

The postal station at the Show will be operated under the guidance of Peter J. McEntee, Postmaster Schaffer's Chief of Cost Control. This is a job with which Mr. McEntee has long been familiar. His postal station will have at least six windows, and he will provide special dies for cancelling mail posted there. One will include a "First Day of Issue" wording; and all the markings will mention the A.S.D.A. and the show.

Mr. Keller announced that the official cachets for the two International Postal Cards, will be produced by The Washington Press, designers of Artcraft Engravings. There will be two different designs which will emphasize international friendship, — featuring the Statue of Liberty, also the inscription "In God We Trust". — as well as a design to encourage personal international correspondence.

Forged Malayan Chops On Market

The recent press release sent out by the Expert Committee of the British Philatelic Assn. regarding new forged "chops" on the stamps of Malaya used during the Japanese occupation, has produced further information on the subject. The suggestion that these new forgeries have been first sold (if not made) in London has received some support; no evidence to the contrary has been forthcoming.

One of the B.P.A. overseas correspondents provided some interesting facts about other forged overprints including the Malayan "chops", Dai Nippon and Kanji types. These forgeries are sold (and probably made) by a non-European stamp dealer living in Singapore.

Another firm in the same part of the world is also known to have made similar forgeries, some of which are placed on covers. In one instance, a genuine commercial registered cover, used from Merliman in June 1942 was offered for sale, the registration label being missing.

From the same source came a "registered" cover bearing stamps with forged overprints, forged cancellations and a forged censor mark but bearing the genuine registration label which was missing from the genuine cover.

This evidence has been forwarded to the proper quarters and collectors are warned to seek confirmation of the genuineness of any such material before buying.

DEVILS TOWER
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tribe takes off on one he can be excused for making a "production" number of it, but for our purposes here we'll do some trimming to size.

The Crow Indians have a thrilling "boy saves girl" version of the origin of Devils Tower and briefly it is this:

Once upon a time, long, long ago, a great black bear with a long tail (all bears had long tails once) fell in love with an Indian princess. He kidnapped the princess and hid her in a prairie dog hole believing the Indians wouldn't think of looking there.

But the prairie dogs were friends of the Indians and they told the braves where the bear had hidden her. Before starting

out on the rescue the red men visited their medicine man for advice as they were well aware of the fury of the bear when he found the captive princess missing. He gave them three arrows, each a different color, and one of which was fatal.

The braves soon rescued the maiden but their daring deed did not remain long undiscovered by the bear who took out after them. The company of Indians with the princess climbed onto a great rock so as to have the advantage.

Each time the bear charged, the rock grew, yet even so it seemed that the bear would eventually reach them. His claws left deep ridges down the sides.

At last they decided to use the arrows—the red one, and next the blue one failed to stop the bear. The chief then took the last arrow, a black one, aimed carefully and sped it into the heart of the bear, killing him.

To this day the rock bears evidence of this incident and the marks of his claws can be seen on the rock now called Devils Tower.

Shoshone Indians also have an account of the beginning of the Tower. The following is their legend:

Once many moons ago, the Mandan Indians of South Dakota were hard pressed by their Indian enemies, the Sioux, who were on the verge of annihilating them. The Mandans gathered their women and children together, placed them on the spot where Devils Tower now is, and prayed to the Great Manitou to save their nation.

The Great Spirit heard their prayers raising them up with the rock from the ground (like an elevator), yet placing them beyond the hands of their enemies.

The Sioux quite peered at this turn of events called it the work of the Evil Spirit. Later on the white man went along with the idea and named the rock the Devils Tower.

But the Sioux had a story too—it is a bit different than the Crow and Shoshone legends.

It seems that back a long time ago there once roamed in the Black Hills of South Dakota a demi-god in the form of a bear. He preyed and molested on the tribe until one of the Sioux, himself a demi-god, decided it was time to put the quietus on the bad-mannered bear character.

There began a chase with the Indian running the bear from one end of the hills to the other. After a while the bear with a greater display of sense than folks would ordinarily give a bear credit for, suggested to this Indian hatchet-man that they were getting nothing but out of breath and sore feet from their hide and seeking, and why not set down to some truce negotiations.

"For," said the bear, "like you, I am a demi-god and you cannot wound me. But you can banish me."

After some difficult truce negotiations during which there were frequent flare-ups of tempers, and hard words, an armistice was declared. The bear accepted banishment to Wyoming where he set up house-keeping in what is now the Devils Tower.

The Sioux named the Tower, Matto Tepee, "The Bear's Habitation" and from this story the white man contrived the name of Devils Tower.

Legends and the like all credit man with having been on the top of the Tower at some time during its existence. To anticipate an obvious question, it is possible to state yes, a living person has actually been on top of Devils Tower.

He is Charles George Hopkins who on October 1, 1941 parachuted from a plane to this landing field in the sky. The stunt created quite a few lines of newspaper copy especially when there occurred a mite of difficulty in removing the said Hopkins from his perch.

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22	\$1.00 Columbian #241, well centered, peeling, looks VF	37.50	17.00
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26	\$1.00 Omaha #292 beautifully cent. and cld., invisible cr.	57.50	21.00
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31	3c violet, T.IV, L. marginal # of 4, AJ	+10.00	4.00
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Some Reasons For Collecting United States Cut Squares

H. S. Dickinson

My collecting dates back to High School days 1893 to 1896. Like most of my fellow collectors it began with cheap mixtures and a lot of trading. Anything that looked like a stamp, regardless of condition, was collectable.

My first album was an old pocket-sized one into which I pasted my stamps. After high school I taught school until service in the Spanish-American War, then college, marriage, a family, more teaching and since then many years of engineering, designing agricultural implements, tool and die design and the machine tool design, during all of which my philatelic interests continued.

Many years ago I realized that any worthwhile world-wide collecting took a lot of money, so I sold all of my foreign stamps and began building up U.S. adhesives until I reached my limits and sold them. Thus match and medicine to the same end, all at a profit.

Then all I and left were Meekel Album pages pretty well filled with U. S. Cut squares, a lot of what I supposed were duplicates and several shoe-boxes filled with entires.

Years ago I discovered that my 3c 1853's did not all look alike, nor my 3c 1860's or 61's, and especially my 3c 1864's. So I finally bought some old Bartells Catalogs and other embossed stamp literature and began to find out where my troubles had been. I found that all of the Nesbit dies, 1853 to 1870, had been rather crudely made, that the heads only were hooved, that the frame lines were engine cut, and that the letters and numerals had been hand-stamped, one at a time, with commercial type steel stamps without any definite placement.

Hence, some letters were too high, some too low, some widely, and some closely spaced, some tilted to the right or left, and that by all these variations the Nesbit dies could be differentiated, which opened up a wide field for me. For example Scott and other standard catalogs list nine 1853 dies each on both buff and white papers indicating a complete collection of 20 cut squares.

Bartells listed 57 dies and 122 cut squares, and if you collected entires, 164.



Figure No. 1

Then I discovered another very interesting thing. While Scott lists U1 and U2 (Die 1-1853) at 60¢ each, some of the 14 dies of variety I are catalogued as high as \$50.

Quite well worth hunting for if you can pick them up at 60¢ apiece!

Figure 1 is from a photo of Die 1, Variety #4. Figure 2 is from a photo of Die 1, Variety #11. Now compare the lettering. On Variety #4 "Cents" is low and "Three" high, while on Variety #11 "Cents" is high and "Three" low. Letter-spacings are also different. "C" to "E" especially. Note also the arrangement of the hair. Such differences occur in nearly all of the Nesbit issues, which multiplies the number of cut squares many times over the common listings.



Figure No. 2

For example, Scott lists eleven Black Jack (1863) cut squares. In reality there are 130 and one of them catalogued \$200.

Beginning with the Reays in 1870 the present method of making embossing dies was started, wherein the master die is engraved to include the entire design and from it a Hob is made and from the Hob as many working dies as may be required (sometimes 200 or more).

If the work is carefully done the working dies are duplicates of the master. But frequently in the hand-touching up of the working dies some alterations are made, by which many of them can be distinguished.

A collection of year dates 1853 to 1956 requires some hunting. Postmarks from each state, territory, or possession for any one issue requires only a modest amount of ambition.

A complete collection of the very common 3c 1864's as cut squares may catalog well over \$1000. Where can you get them? There are several reliable specialist dealers, a number of regular dealers, auctions, thousands of wastebaskets, and probably some attics with old trunks, and an ever-increasing number of collectors to trade with.

Yes, collecting cut squares or 2" x 4" can be a most interesting speciality and not necessarily too expensive.

Big Night For Young Stamp Collectors

What should be a gala evening for youthful stamp collectors is the sixth annual Junior Jamboree sponsored by the Port Huron-Sarnia Stamp Club. It is scheduled for November 23 at 7 p.m. in the Detroit-Edison Demonstration Room in Port Huron, Mich.

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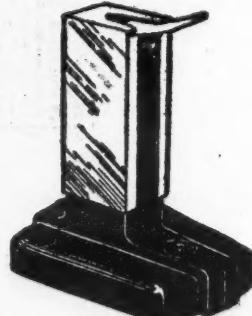
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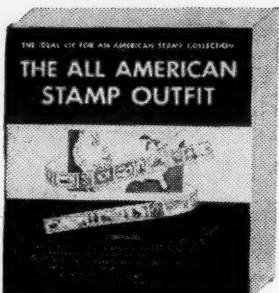
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Nearly 200 partly-reconstructed sheets of 1858-1864 British Penny Reds were offered in a recent Hadfield Craven sale. Somebody must have given up after years of effort! There are 240 different letter combinations to a given plate and it surely takes some hunting to complete a sheet. While one is at it, he might as well work on a lot of sheets and that's what the owner must have done, for Plates 71 through 224 were represented in his holdings, some of them a number of times. Only seven plates had however, actually been completed.

It must have taken years of checking hundreds of thousands of copies to accumulate this lot and let's hope that the new owners will be able to complete the work. That's become mighty difficult in our time since gunnysacks filled with Penny Reds can't be had from almost any dealer today as in former years—indeed, I wouldn't know where to go to get even 100,000 of them!

Volume I, Number 1 of *The Australian Stamp Collector*, the Summer-Autumn 1950 issue, is the tough one, since only 500 copies were printed. It's lacking in most collections and appears on innumerable want lists.

Traveling on the compartment train headed towards Orange in New South Wales, I saw a schoolboy closely studying a juvenile album containing a scattering of neatly-mounted stamps. I was, of course, much interested, and opened a conversation. It turned out that he was John Yearby of Gular, Rail 4W, N.S.W. Australia, and that he had been collecting for only a few months. He was obviously much interested in his treasures and told me the stories connected with a number of them.

I noticed that he didn't have much in the way of U.S.A. material and some of you might wish to send him a few of our stamps and open up a philatelic pen pal correspondence. Incidentally, the address as given above is correct—if it sounds goofy, remember our own Kankakee and Crazy Horse.

The current buying price for complete used sets of Food stamps (six values) in Australia is 10 shillings per 100, while complete used sets of Coronations and Royal Visits bring 12 shillings per dozen sets each.

A most interesting thing happened to a friend of mine, an avid auction buyer, the other day. He had bid £3/10/0 for a lot of 50 numbers of *The Philatelist*, offered in a British sale, thinking that they were the current Robson Lowe monthlies. Imagine his surprise upon getting 50 superb clean copies (many uncut) of the old *Philatelist* published in Brighton by Stafford Smith and Co. in the 1860's and 1870's and containing the exceedingly scarce Spud Papers, illustrated by contemporary forgeries, including the ultra rare Volume IX copies.

Some describer must have been asleep at the switch for had the catalog listed them correctly, bids up to £20 would have poured in. Just one of those things happening in the auction world which makes bidding an exciting adventure.

American collectors don't find the "Ceres" stamps for Portugal and colonies very exciting—the design is mighty drab and the colors are pretty terrible. Still, if one wants to specialize in cheap stamps, they offer a real opportunity to make a grand showing at little outlay for there are innumerable varieties in the positions of the stars on either side of the name tablets of some of the colonials and there are many perforation varieties and shades, all unmentioned by Scott but covered in specialist catalogs such as the Simoes Ferreira one. A person in the know can constantly pick up choice items at ordinary variety prices, commonly but a cent or two each.

The Bank of New South Wales, with Branches throughout the Commonwealth and in various British Pacific Dependencies, is Australia's largest bank. It does a tremendous amount of institutional advertising in the form of excellent bulletins and booklets on a great variety of subjects. In this connection it has just published a beautifully-printed work of 18 pages, *Australian Commemorative Stamps*, containing a glossary of philatelic terms, a full write-up on each special-issue stamp appearing

down here and some 50 illustrations. It is being widely distributed through schools and libraries, as well as to bank patrons in general, and is sure to give the Australian stamp trade a big boost.

In Italy, it costs you only 100 Lire to have a stamp expertized. BUT, if you want it signed, the cost is 250L; if you want a certificate of authenticity plus a photograph, the charge is 1000L; while if you want the certificate of authenticity plus a guarantee on the score of genuineness, it will set you back 2% of the stamp's catalog value, with a minimum fee of 2000L. Like the old-time New Yorker, now deceased, whose charge for examination was \$1 (he didn't say what you'd get for it!), whose price for a certificate of genuineness was \$2, and who exacted \$3 for a "positive guarantee" that the item in question was what it purported to be.

The Club Filatelico del Uruguay has its membership largely concentrated in Montevideo. There are, however, members both in the provinces and in a few foreign countries.

Beats all how a successful name "takes". Readers of *Linn's* are very familiar with the intriguing ads of the Seven Seas Stamp Co. of Dubbo, New South Wales, appearing in these columns. And now it appears that firms with the same name have sprung up in England, the United States and South Africa! None of them are in any way connected with our advertiser, which operates a mass approval and retail business from a charming inland Commonwealth city, and which published *The Stamp News* and does a fabulous amount of packet assembling and wholesaling as well.

Collectors are forever writing me asking where to purchase stamp booklets issued by foreign postal administrations. It's a field some enterprising U.S.A. dealer might take up seriously—he'd certainly not have to go looking for customers! Because of this interest, I might mention that in a shipment just in from B. & V. White, Ltd., of London I found a Ceylon postage issues booklet, a Ceylon airmail one, a stitched Canada beaver, and others from Mauritius, New Zealand, South Africa, Ireland, British Guiana and Jamaica—some George VI and some Elizabeth II.

Back in 1908, a chest containing the remainders of the old Hanoverian state issues which gave way to Imperial stamps turned up in a German government building housing numerous official records.

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Alvaro Bonilla Lara, Santiago, Chile, the eminent philatelist whose

numerous articles in the Spanish-language hobby press are all of the highest caliber, is also a collector of Chilean fiscals. There are many categories as General, Municipal, Administrative, Judicial and Consular, and then many postage stamps have done revenue duty and many revenues have been used fiscally, so plenty of interesting material is found in such a collection.



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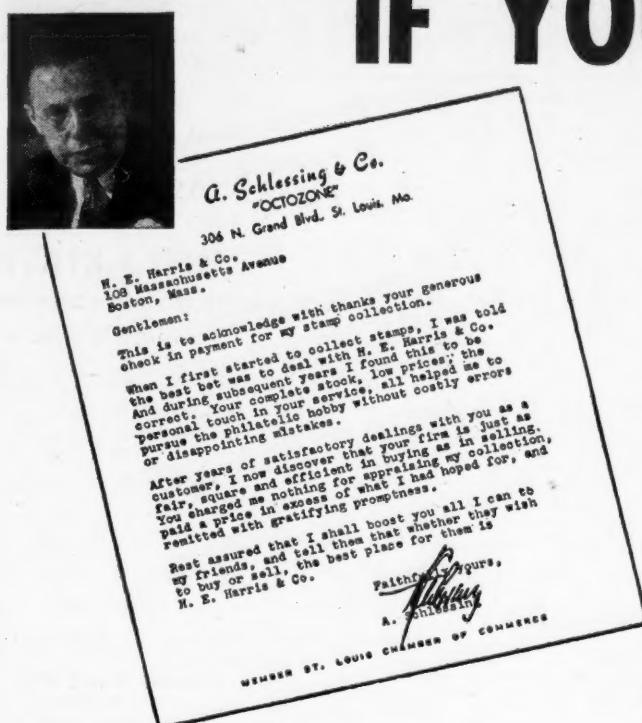
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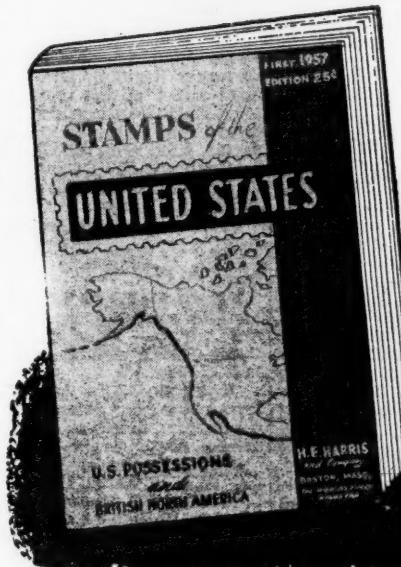
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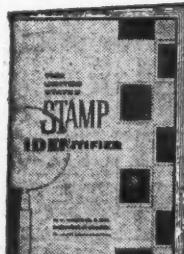
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DAY OF THE POSTAGE STAMP. October 12 was Spain's annual Stamp Day and as in the past a special commemorative stamp was released for the occasion. This time it was a 80c gray green in vertical format which showed the Archangel Gabriel. The design was adapted from one of the panels on the Beato Angelico table in the Prado Museum which pictures various scenes relative to the coming of Christ. It shows the Annunciation by the Archangel Gabriel to the Virgin Mary. The artwork is by Fra Giovanni Angelico da Fiesole. Carlos Lenze, Apartado 716, Madrid, Spain sent the card. Manuel Galvez, Principe 1, Madrid, Spain sent a first day cover.

**Valuable Display
By Smithsonian**

Adults and juveniles who attend the 8th A.S.D.A. National Postage Stamp Show will be given a fore-glimpse of a coming Washington public building which all collectors will want to visit whenever they go to the national capital in coming years.

The structure will contain a Hall of Philately, a Hall of Postal History, and the new Museum of History and Technology. Within it will be housed the government's national stamp collection being developed currently by the Smithsonian Institution, together with many documents pertaining to the nation's postal annals.

The architect's conception of the building will look when completed will feature one of twelve frames of material which Dr. Remington Kellogg, Director of the Smithsonian, has promised to send from Washington.

This assurance reached Peter G. Keller, the stamp show's general manager, from Franklin R. Bruns Jr., head of the Smithsonian's philatelic section. Mr. Bruns advised he is assembling the material as evidence of Dr. Kellogg's desire to cooperate with the American Stamp Dealers' Assn., the exhibitions' sponsor.

Eleven of the frames will contain outstanding stamps and proofs in collections which notable persons have presented to the Smithsonian within the past year. Most of this material has never been publicly displayed outside of Washington. The contents of the dozen frames are as follows:

Frame 1—Artists conception of the proposed Hall of Philately and the Hall of Postal History, new Museum of History and Technology, Washington, D.C.

Frame 2—United States Revues, from the most recent

transfer authorized by Russell C Harrington, Commissioner, Internal Revenue Service.

Frame 3—United States Revues transferred by Internal Revenue Service; Die proof and mint sheet of the 1956-7 Migratory Bird Hunting stamp, transferred by John L. Farley, Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of Interior, and John R. Boker collection of Tobacco Sales Tax issues.

Frame 4—Selections from the collection formed by James A. Farley, Postmaster General, 1933-40.

Frame 5—Pages from the collection donated by B. H. Holman, Jr., — New South Wales, Spain No. 1, and French Stampless Covers.

Frame 6—Latin America, from the gifts of Bernard Peyton (Ecuador); John A. Taylor (Salvador), and Norman Haac (Chile).

Frame 7—Selected pages from the gifts of Ernst Lowenstein—Mauritius, Liberia airmails, Netherlands, Poland and Paraguay.

Frame 8—Australia, Austrou-Hungarian Empire and Lundy Islands. Pages from the gifts of Tom Lowenstein.

Frame 9—H. L. Lindquist gift—booklet panes of Denmark and Sweden.

Frame 10—French signed artist proofs and de luxe proofs, gift of Sol Glass; Ecuador artists' drawings, gift of B. H. Holman, Jr.; and large die proofs of Simon Bolivar head, loaned by Philip H. Ward, Jr.

Frame 11—Parma and Papal States pre-stamp covers, gift of Dr. William Winokur, Seymour Winokur and Irvin Hermanoff; and Indian Feudatory States, from a 30-volume collection donated by Dr. Milford Golden.

Frame 12—19th Century Europe, gift of John P. V. Heinmiller; U.S. Telegraph stamps and covers, loaned by Philip H. Ward, Jr., and foreign errors, gift of Floyd T. Starr.

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NOTES

Rev. J. C. Burns of New Haven, Conn. submits the 2c Liberty from Emmaus, Pa. in the U-12n type. This is a neat electro. Wm. Aronson of West Englewood, N.J. reports the 1c Liberty from Teaneck, N.J. in U-12n type.

North Royalton and Mount Saint Joseph are two OHIO discontinued towns. The former in the Cleveland area and the latter in the Cincinnati area. I understand that the Kingsport, Tenn. 1½c Prexy Bureau is on the rather scarce side. The asking price is about 25c per copy notwithstanding what the catalog quote.

BULLETIN BOARD

Received a copy of a Bulletin entitled "PRECANCELS". It was a legal size sheet with one whole page and about half of the reverse side on the above subject. Whoever wrote it surely had a good knowledge of the subject. The mailer was E. R. Nordin of Philadelphia and the sponsor of the bulletin was Ed. Unger, 2387 Morris Ave., New York 68, N.Y. The bulletin was mailed with 1c Liberties from Brooklyn, Pa. I don't know what's behind all this but I know the copy made good reading.

The Kansas Precancel Society mailed its October bulletin with a 2c Liberty from Concordia, Kansas in that old familiar U-10 electro type. It made a very neat cancellation.

The "BUCKEYE" bulletin of the Central Ohio Precancel Club was mailed from Findlay, Ohio with a new fancy printed integral type. The type resembles the U-12 style but there is a thin and heavy line above and below the legend. The initials are at the top. The OHIO count now is 786 towns and 1338 types.

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Robert W. Yant, a director of the Society of Philatelic Americans, Canton, Ohio, was in attendance at the regular October meeting of the Fairfield County Philatelic Club, Lancaster, Ohio to present the group with their

charter as Branch #267 of the SPA.

Secretary of the Lancaster club is Richard M. Needham, 708 N. Mt. Pleasant Ave., Lancaster, Ohio.

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Late in 1927 the Postmaster-General's Department gave consideration to a proposal that a small quantity of mail be carried by air from Australia to New Zealand on a flight which was being organized by aviators John Moncrieff and George Hood.

The proposal also provided that the limited number of letters should each be franked with a special stamp suitably inscribed.

This was developed to the stage that the Note Printing Branch was asked to furnish a proof specimen of the then current 1½c stamp overprinted "1st AUS.-N.Z. AIR MAIL". The proof was received on December 23, 1927, and on the same date the Note Printing Branch was instructed to print a supply of 240 stamps only, of this type. The supply was delivered the following day.

A few days later the Prime Minister decided that no mail would be carried on the Moncrieff-Hood flight; consequently the proposal was abandoned. The flight commenced as planned, but ended in tragedy as both airmen, in their single-engined Ryan

monoplane, vanished on January 10, 1928 somewhere in the Tasman, between 300 and 500 miles from the New Zealand coast.

"Southern Cross" Flight, 1928

The use of the stamps already prepared, or alternatively the preparation of another special stamp, was considered shortly afterwards in connection with a projected flight from Australia to New Zealand by the late Sir Charles Kingsford Smith in the "Southern Cross" (which flight was successfully accomplished on September 10, 1928).

Initially, it was estimated that the mail might comprise up to 20,000 letters but subsequently this proposal was not thought to be practicable and it was then decided that if any mail was to be carried it would have to be very limited, perhaps less than 130 articles. In such case it might then be confined to letters from the Prime Minister or Postmaster-General addressed to each New Zealand Minister and Member of Parliament. Each such letter, it was further proposed, might be franked by one of the prepared stamps.

Eventually, the Department decided that unless a substantial mail could be carried and the proposed stamp made available to the public generally, no official mail would be carried on the "Southern Cross".

The prepared stamps were, accordingly, not used and subsequently the total quantity printed, two sheets each of 120 stamps, together with the single proof, were destroyed on January 7, 1929, under audit supervision.

A. S. D. A. SHOW LECTURE HALL PROGRAM

Activities at the 8th A.S.D.A. National Postage Stamp Show will not be restricted to displays of postage stamps worth literally millions of dollars. The visiting adults and juveniles, expected to number some 70,000 if the weather is fair, will find in progress no-extra-charge educational program being conducted under the supervision of one of the world's best-informed philatelic authorities, Franklin R. Bruns Jr., head man at the stamp division of the Smithsonian Institution in Washington.

An every-hour-on-the-hour illustrated lecture schedule has been arranged by Mr. Bruns in cooperation with Peter G. Keller, the exhibition's general manager. Mr. Keller is executive officer of the American Stamp Dealers' Assn. which sponsors these national stamp shows. This year's edition is to be held, as were its seven predecessors, in New York City's 71st Infantry Regiment Armory at Park Ave. and 34th St.

The educational and cultural phases of philately will be emphasized during the lecture sessions. The question, "Why do people collect stamps?" will be answered through numerous media—including motion picture films, lantern slides, and talks by some of the hobby's leaders—all designed to explain philately's benefits, its mental enrichments, its fascinations.

This effort has the assistance of the United States and several foreign Post Office Departments, the United Nations Postal Administration, various international air lines, the Boy Scout and Girl Scout organizations, and many national, regional and local stamp societies and clubs.

The program as tentatively prepared is announced by Mr. Keller as follows:

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16

- 12 Noon—United States Post Office Dept. film: "Pigeon Holes and Progress", through the courtesy of the Post Office Department.
1 P.M.—Film: "Production of Swiss Postage Stamps, No. 1", through the courtesy of the National Federation of Stamp Clubs.
2 P.M.—Film: "Production of Swiss Postage Stamps, No. 2", through the courtesy of the National Federation of Stamp Clubs.
3 P.M.—Slides: "Production of United States Postage Stamps", through the courtesy of the U. S. Post Office Department.
4 P.M.—Showing of selected material from the National Postage Stamp Collection, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C., by Francis J. McCall.
5 P.M.—Film: "This is Scandinavia", Through the courtesy of Scandinavian Airlines System, Inc.
6 P.M.—Souvenir Issues Association Program, conducted by Joseph M. Wise.
7 P.M.—Women's Philatelic Society of New York program.
8 P.M.—Germany Philatelic Society program.
9 P.M.—Film: "Overnight — Over the Weather", through the courtesy of the Scandinavian Airlines System, Inc.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

- 11 A.M.—Bronx County Stamp Club program.
12 Noon—Girl Scouts of America program. Films, slides and quiz. Conducted by Mrs. Leona Pecher. Prizes.
1 P.M.—American Topical Assn. program, conducted by Allyn H. Wright, president.
2 P.M.—Boy Scouts of America program. Films, slides, and quiz. Conducted by Mrs. Evelyn Chapman. Prizes.
3 P.M.—American Philatelic Society program, conducted by Leon Gedaly, regional governor.
4 P.M.—Society of Philatelic Americans program, conducted by Fred Barovick, president.
5 P.M.—Women's International Stamp Club program, conducted by Dorita Soler, president.
6 P.M.—Film: "The Pepper Bird". Natives, costumes, native dancers and scenes from Liberia. Colored film through the courtesy of the Republic of Liberia.
7 P.M.—Lithuanian Philatelic Society of New York. Film: "Stamps of Lithuania", in color. Also travelogue on Lithuania.
8 P.M.—United Nations program. The purpose of the U. N. stamp clubs and how they serve young collectors, given by Tony Simon, director, United Nations Stamp Clubs.
9 P.M.—Film: "Trip Through Europe", through the courtesy of the Scandinavian Airlines System, Inc.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

- 2 P.M.—Bureau Issue Assn. program, conducted by Sol Glass, president, with the cooperation of the All Boro Collectors Club.
3 P.M.—National Philatelic Museum program, conducted by Bernard Davis, director, and the members of the museum staff.
4 P.M.—Society of Israel Philatelists program, conducted by Irving Weisberger, chairman.
5 P.M.—Film: "Germany", through the courtesy of the Scandinavian Airlines System, Inc.
6 P.M.—Film: "Stage Coach to the Stars." Canadian Post Office Department film, traces the history of the post from the early days to the transport of mail by air. Film through the courtesy of the National Federation of Stamp Clubs.
7 P.M.—Film: "United Nations, N. Y." The story of United Nations stamps, through the courtesy of Reidar Tvedt, chief, United Nations Postal Administration.

AUCTIONS

Nov. 12-14—Max Bloch, 505 Fifth Ave., New York 17, N. Y. Airmails mint, used on cover; U. S. General.

Nov. 13-15—Harmer, Cooke & Co., Inc., 560 Fifth Ave., New York 36. "Liebeck Collection" of U. S. Brit. Comwith.

Nov. 14-15—F.R. Ferryman, 505 Fifth Ave., New York 17, N. Y. United States, Foreign and Specialities.

Nov. 14—Pasadena Stamp Co., 419 S. Grand Oaks Ave., Pasadena, Calif. General, Alrs. Country Coll., Whlse.

Nov. 14-15—N. S. Simons Ltd., 59 Wellington W., Toronto, Canada. BNA mint, used, rarities.

Nov. 14-16—Mercury Stamp Co., 522 Fifth Ave., New York 36, N. Y. United States and General Foreign.

Nov. 15—John W. Nicklin, 110 W. 42nd St., New York 36, N. Y. U. S. World Airmail, General Stationery.

Nov. 17—Earl P. L. Apelbaum, 1416 S. Penn, Philadelphia 2, Pa. U. S. Newfoundland Jamaica.

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Nov. 23—J. M. Canella, 116 Nassau St., New York 36, N. Y. U. S. mint, used, singles, blocks and plates.

Nov. 24—Rumark Co., 116 Nassau St., New York 36, N. Y. U. S. singles, blocks plates, sheets, wholesale.

Nov. 24—Chauncey R. Wright, 119 Harvard St., Rochester 7, N. Y. U. S. incl. wholesale and FD & Patriotic covers.

Nov. 26-27—H. R. Harmer, Inc. 6 W. 48th St., New York 36, N. Y. Confederate Covers. U. S. issues.

Nov. 27—Leonard T. Salmon, 5 W. 12th St., Riviera Beach, Fla. U. S. incl. covers and plates, General.

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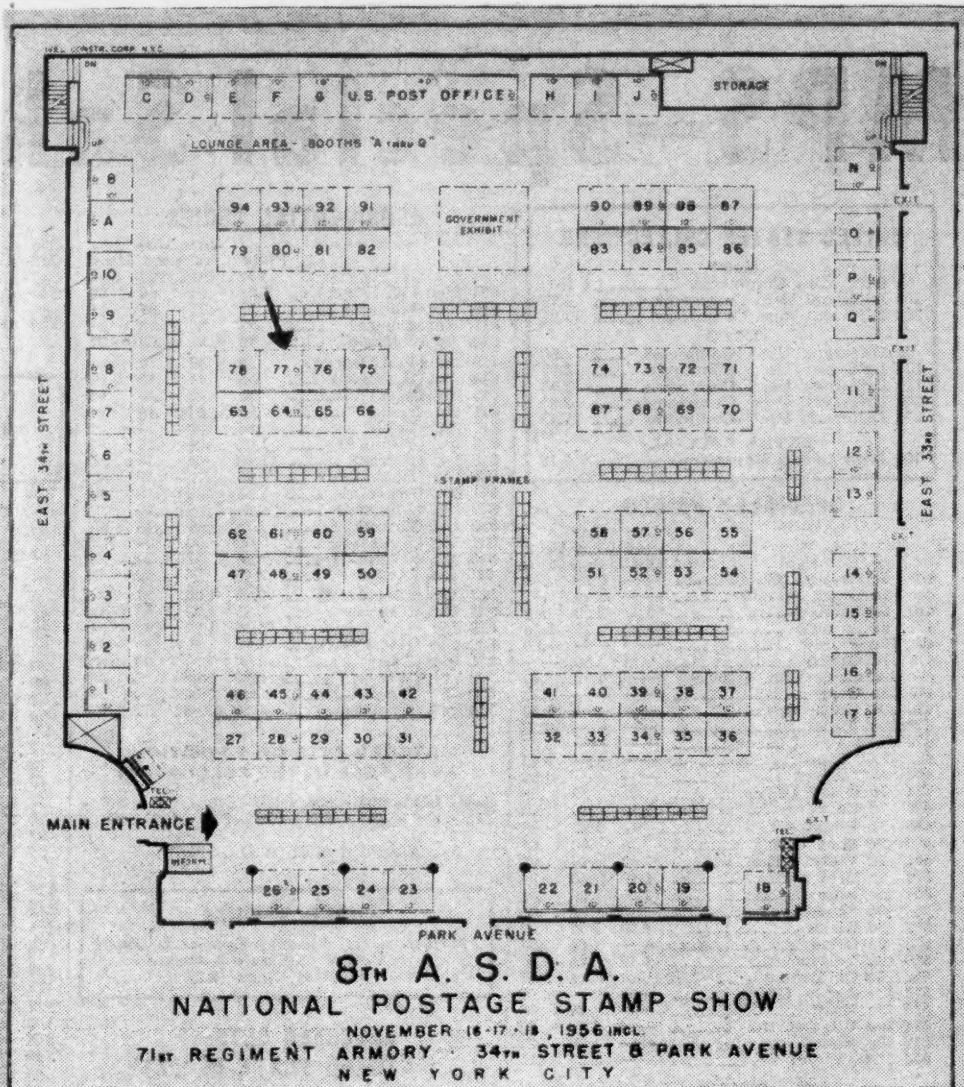


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A difficulty arose in connection with 2d Tasmanians, the stock of which on hand on May 30, 1912, was estimated to last two years. To overcome this, it was decided to convert most of the stock to one penny denomination, the value in greatest demand as it represented the current domestic letter rate.

Authority was given in July 1912 to the Commonwealth Stamp Printer in Melbourne for all surplus stocks of the 2d Tasmanian stamps to be overprinted "ONE PENNY" and such were issued in Tasmania in October 1912.

The same position obtained in respect of the 2d Western Australia, stocks of which in June 1912 were sufficient for 2½ years, and similar action was taken, surplus supplies being overprinted "ONE PENNY" by the Commonwealth Stamp Printer in July 1912. The stamp was issued in Western Australia a few weeks later.

For a different reason it was also necessary to issue a 1d provisional in Victoria in 1912. In May of that year the Commonwealth Stamp Printer reported that owing to the non-receipt of suitable stamp paper from London there was a shortage of paper upon which Victorian stamps could be printed.

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However, this proposal was not favored and it was decided that 1d stamps would be provided by utilizing part of the large stock held of 2d Victorian stamps. Authority for this was given on May 31, 1912 and the stamps, revalued by the surcharge "ONE PENNY", were issued to the public in July 1912.

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Journalism and Philately

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Here is one of the newer topics that is now being developed and expanded, and as such it is a subject worthy of being pursued by topicalists. Those of us who are now working on it are finding it most interesting and intriguing. "Journalism and Philately" embraces a much broader field than one at first thought might imagine. We will briefly describe it, since many collectors may not realize its extent. We include within the scope of our subject many prominent persons who are better known for other achievements, but, who have been found to also have done some journalistic work.

First under this topic might come such stamps as are related to the printing or distribution of publications. This would include the U.S. and German stamps of 1952 and 1954 respectively, honoring Johann Gutenberg, who is credited with the invention of printing from movable type; and the German stamp of 1954 honoring Mergenthaler, inventor of the linotype machine.

Some of our very early American newspapers and publications were printed on presses similar to the Stephen Daye press (U.S. Scott type A316). This could go in our first section. Also, in this section would go stamps that honor a means of distribution of newspapers, like U.S. No. 1015, honoring the American newsboys.



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Third phase of our topic includes the stamps that honor or picture foreign journalists. Winston Churchill (on a Yemen stamp of 1948, and on Salvador No. 609) was a special correspondent for the London Morning Post, during the Boer War in 1899.

Some other foreign journalists on stamps include Jose J. Marti, Georges Clemenceau, Theodore Heuss, Victor Hugo, Robert L. Stevenson, and Leo Tolstoy.

Sir Henry M. Stanley (Belgian Congo Nos. 115-129) wrote about finding Livingston in Africa, for the New York Herald in 1872; and

autograph would also add interest. In the American Topical Assn. is a special group that specializes on this topic, known as the Joseph Pulitzer Journalism Unit. It is now publishing its own News-Bulletin, bimonthly, in which a complete check-list of American Journalists on Stamps is now appearing; and also in line with this is a column on Thumb-Nail Biographies of American Journalists on Postage Stamps.

It also has interesting items and other news pertinent to the subject. A copy of this News-Bulletin can be had gratis, for a stamp for return postage by writing Allyn H. Wright, 469 W. 166th St., New York, 32, N.Y.

was special correspondent for that paper for four years.



Benito Mussolini (on stamps of Italy and Germany) was editor of AVANTI, official party organ of the socialist party, 1912; he founded Il Popolo d'Italia in 1914.

Adolf Hitler (on many German stamps, also of Poland and Italy) owned and edited Volkischer Beobachter (Racial Observer) in 1920.

The fourth section or phase of our topic would include stamps that exemplified journalism itself. We will mention a few of these.

The Ryukyu Islands have twice honored Newspaper Week by issuing a 10-cent stamp for the occasion (Ryukyu Islands No. 29, and another in 1954). San Marino has publicized its newspapers by a set of ten values, issued in 1943. Nos. 203 through 208 picture a newspaper and printing press; Nos. 209 through 212 show a group of newspapers.

Panama (Nos. C138 and C139, and the same in 1954 surcharged 1c) honored 100 years of the newspaper La Estrella de Panama. These stamps show the masthead of that newspaper.

To make a collection on this topic interesting, a collector might include actual clippings of material written by the journalists, or photo-stamps of same; photos or news pictures of the people mentioned; and a frequent picture post card or an

entire collection of that newspaper.

Another American journalist on stamps is Walt Whitman (U.S. No. #867). He founded the Long Islander, at Huntington Long Island in 1839, and was associated with The Brooklyn Eagle, and the Brooklyn Daily Freeman. He is also pictured on a stamp of Bulgaria, and on one of Czechoslovakia—these came out in 1955.

Warren G. Harding (U.S. No. 610) was editor and publisher of The Marion (Ohio) Star from 1884 to 1923. This paper had been purchased by his father, who transferred it to his son after running it for one year.

A few other American journalists on stamps include Franklin D. Roosevelt Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, Samuel L. Clemens, James Russell Lowell, and Edgar Allan Poe.

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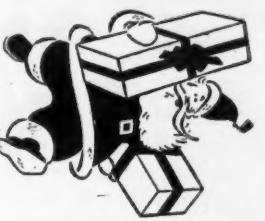
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